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The Dawning of a New Creation

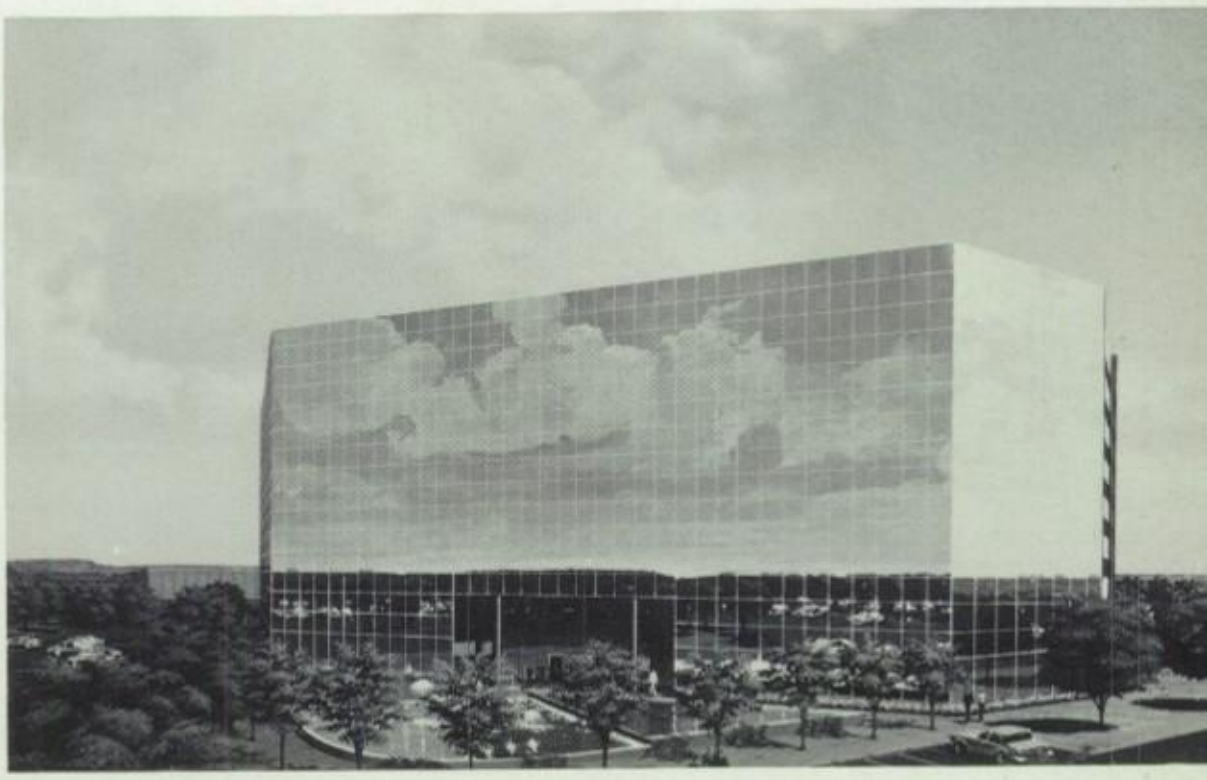
Each day dawning
brings something new.
Today the Son
has borne a vision of Love,
laid gently on a branch of the Vine.
Through faith, joy sprang forth
and grew into kindness,
eventually enveloping
itself in goodness.
Only patience revealed
the new creature of self-control.
It sails to Unknown Heights
on the wings of peace
in a Land where
the Son never sets.

Day is Dawning in Tulsa

The City of Faith medical complex in its final stages.

Construction of the healing hands begins as the City of Faith nears completion.

Halcyon: proposed luxury condominiums to be located near the City of Faith.

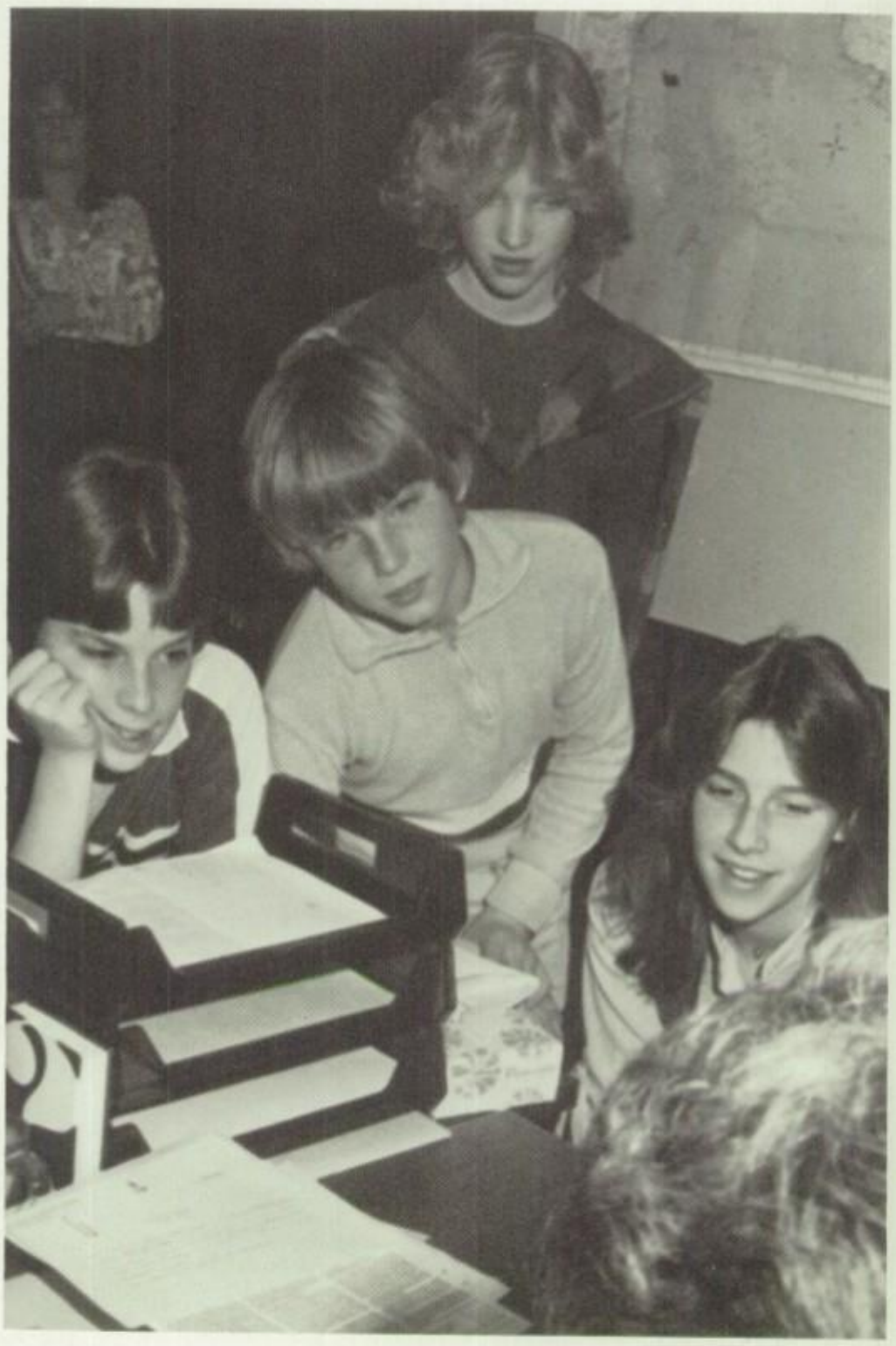


Southern Hills Tower, a new office building by Lincoln Property Company at 61st. and Lewis.

NO ROOM IN THE INN! (OR THE OUT!)

"Excuse me!" "May I please get through?" "Ouch, you stepped on my foot!" "Hurry! We're gonna be late!"

The halls, the playground, the doorways; everywhere was a "squeeze and a half" during school hours. Patience and long suffering played a big part, when a moving path suddenly stopped with tardiness as a result.



"We have to see Mr. Booth."

The younger ones handled the crowds in an orderly fashion.

High school students find the halls a tight squeeze.

Statement of Faith

We believe the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible authoritative Word of God. (11 Timothy 3:16)

We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (1 John 5: 4-6)

We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory. (1 Corinthians 15:30; 1 Peter 2:21-24; John 3:16)

We believe that for salvation of lost and sinful man, regeneration by the Holy spirit is absolutely essential. (Romans 3: 21-30; Galations 4: 4-7)

We believe that the full consumation of the Baptism of believers in the Holy Ghost is evidenced by the initial physical sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance, and by the subsequent manifestation of spiritual power in public testimony and service. (Acts 2; 4; Acts 10: 44-46; 19:2 and 6; Acts 1:8, 2:42, 43; Matt. 3:11)

We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; that they are saved unto the resurrection of life; and that they are lost unto the resurrection of damnation. (John 5:24, 28, 29)

We believe that deliverance from sickness is provided for in the atonement, and is the privilege of all believers. (Isaiah 53:4; Matthew 8:16, 17; Mark 16:18; John 5:14; I Peter 2:24)

We believe in the imminent return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (I Thess. 4:13-18; Rev. 21:20; I John 14:3)

Concept Of School

Recognizing Jesus, as the author and finisher of our faith, and the Word as the supreme standard for all wisdom and knowledge, it is our aim to develop ourselves accordingly, realizing that as we seek first His kingdom and righteousness all these things shall be added. . .
Heb. 12:1-2, James 1:5-6, I Pet. 1:24, I Jn. 2:5-6, I Jn. 5:3-5

We will endeavor to follow the will of God for our lives and to exemplify Christ like character through daily personal prayer and consistent study of the Word of God, and through faithful group worship both at school and church.
Matt. 7:7-11, James 1:22, I Pet. 1:13-16, II Pet. 1:10-11, Gal. 4:7

We will apply ourselves to our studies and endeavor to develop the full powers of our minds in Christ.
Lk. 2:52, Phil. 2:5, I Cor. 1:5

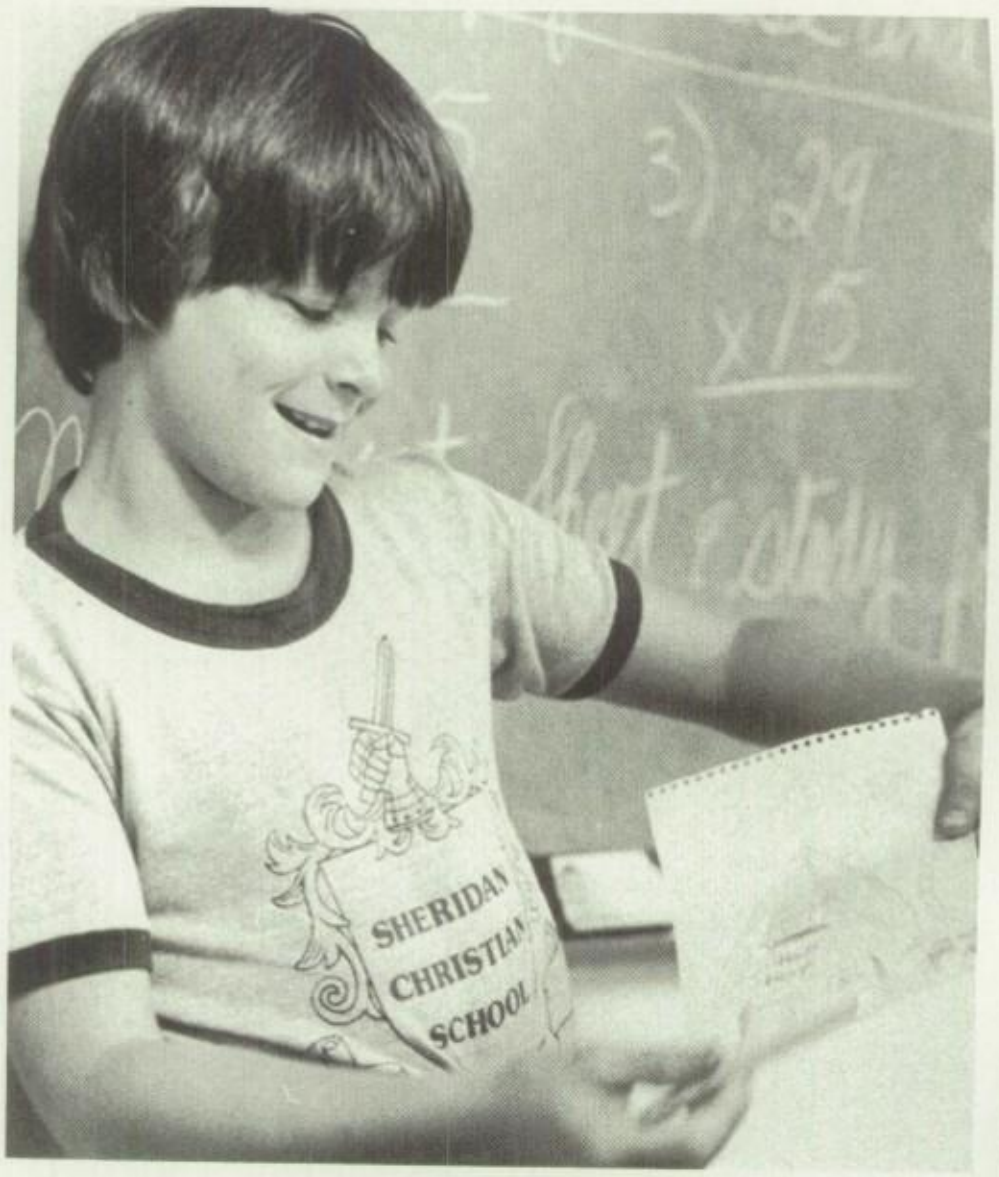
We will practice good health habits and regularly participate in wholesome physical activities.
I Cor. 3:16-17, Rom. 12:1

We will yield our personalities to the healing and the power of the Holy Spirit.
James 5:14-16, Acts 1:8, Acts 2:1-4

We will endeavor to faithfully give heed to the call of God on our lives and develop the gifts and abilities God has given us.
I Jn. 2:20, I Cor. 12:18-31, Eph. 4:11-12

We will seek to practically share the love of Christ through personal witness and specific ministry on a regular basis in an area of Christian service where we feel led.
Matt. 28:19-20, Matt. 10:8, Jn. 15:17, Cor. 15:58, II Cor. 5:18, I Cor. 9:22

We will submit ourselves to leadership and/or any rules or regulations that may be adopted or changed from time to time. We realize that attendance at Sheridan Christian School is a privilege and not a right. We determine to give our best and to prayerfully support SCS and it's philosophy of providing a quality without compromising the Word of God.



Fourth Grader Steve Stevens shares during "Show and Tell", a presentation in front of his class.

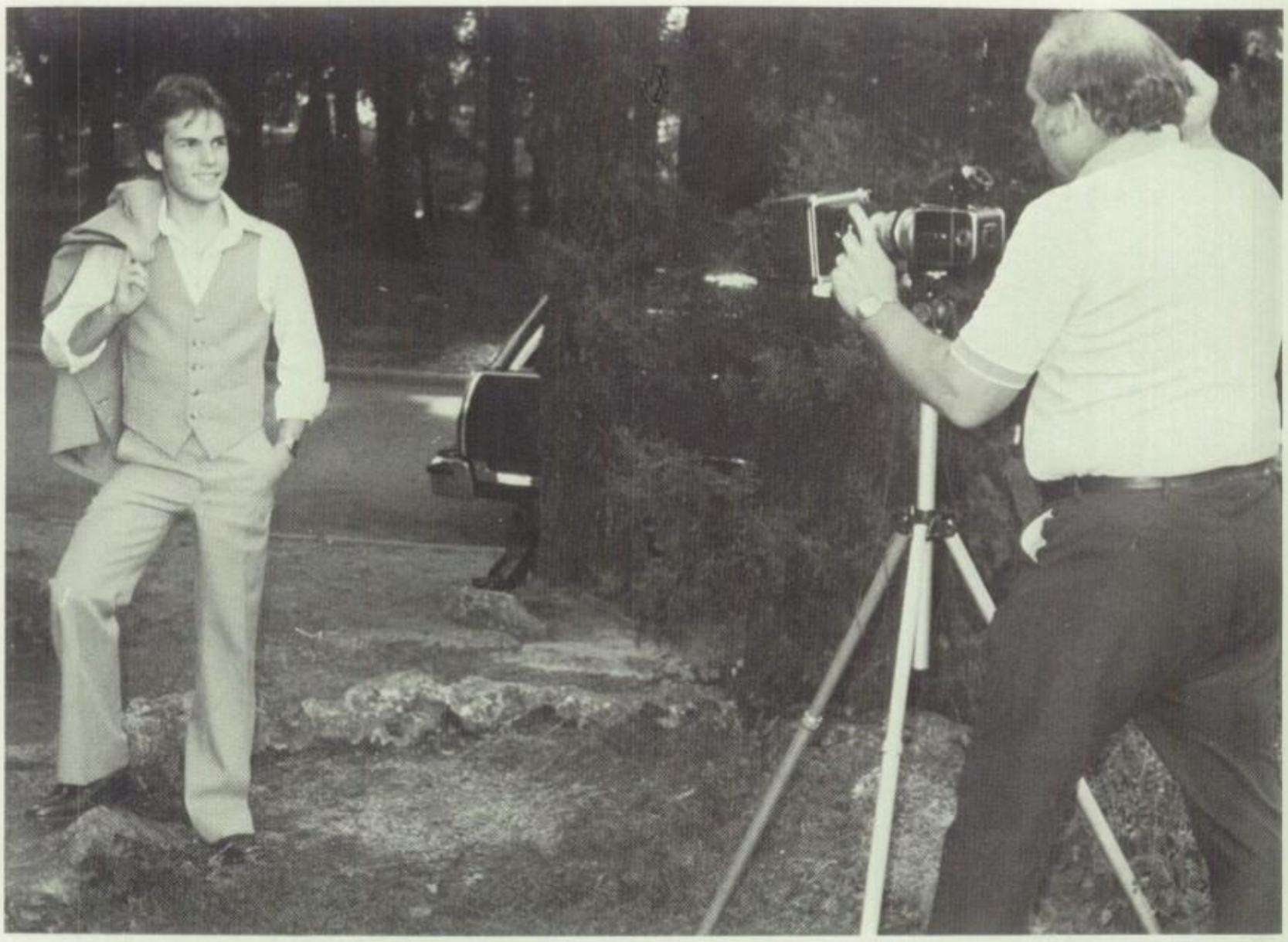
Steven Kirk lets the love of the Lord shine through.

Mrs. Abbott takes a moment to get her son, Sean, ready for the stage.

First graders demonstrate self-control.

Youngsters Showed The Childlike Kind Of Faith

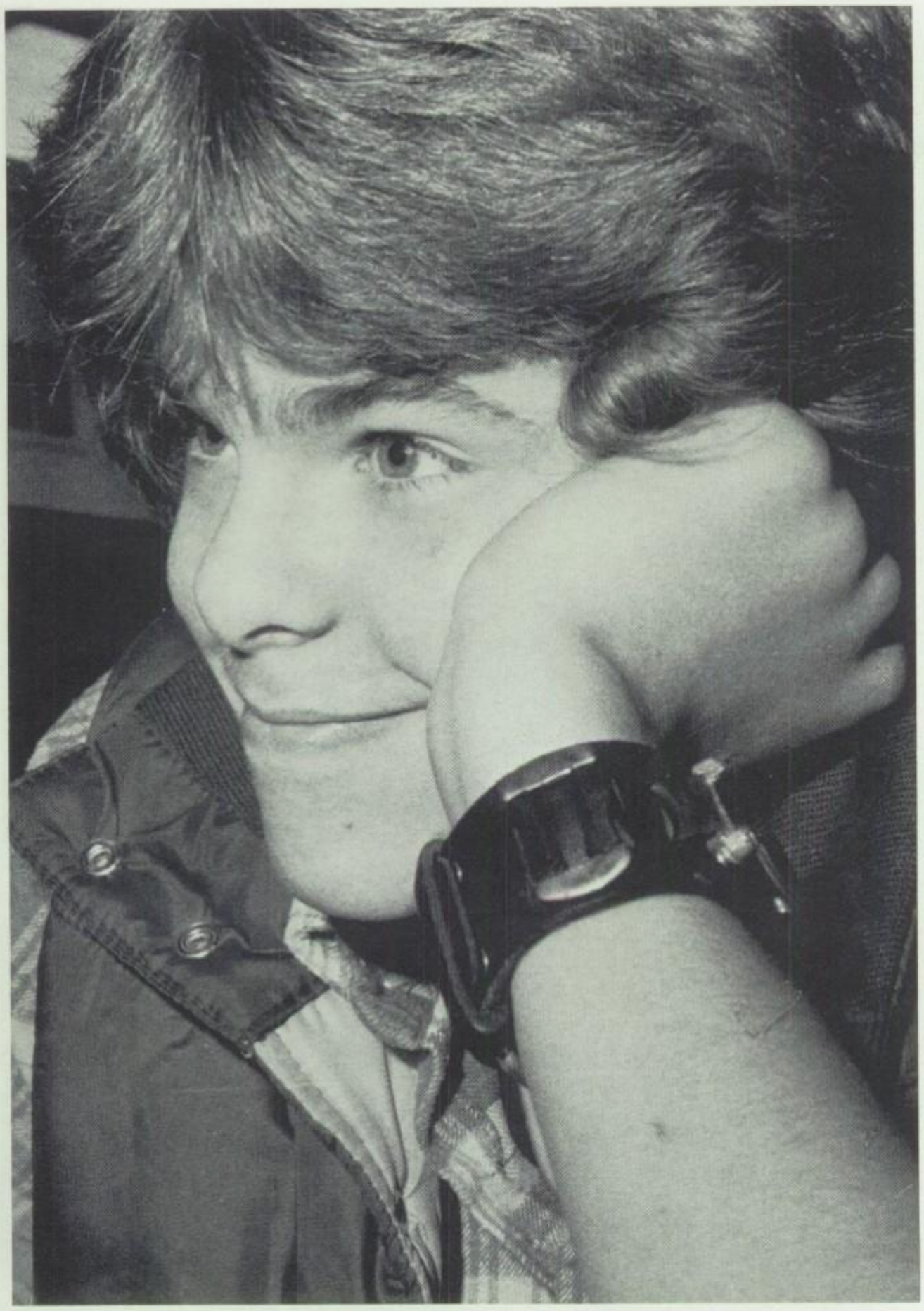
Elementary voices ring out in a special music presentation.



Like all the class of '81, Tim Hodge poses for Ray Orf, photographer.

Cheryl Miles, Andrea Rigsby, Scott Hughes, and Scott White talk between class with a stuffed friend.

Here Is A Day In The Life Of A Conqueror



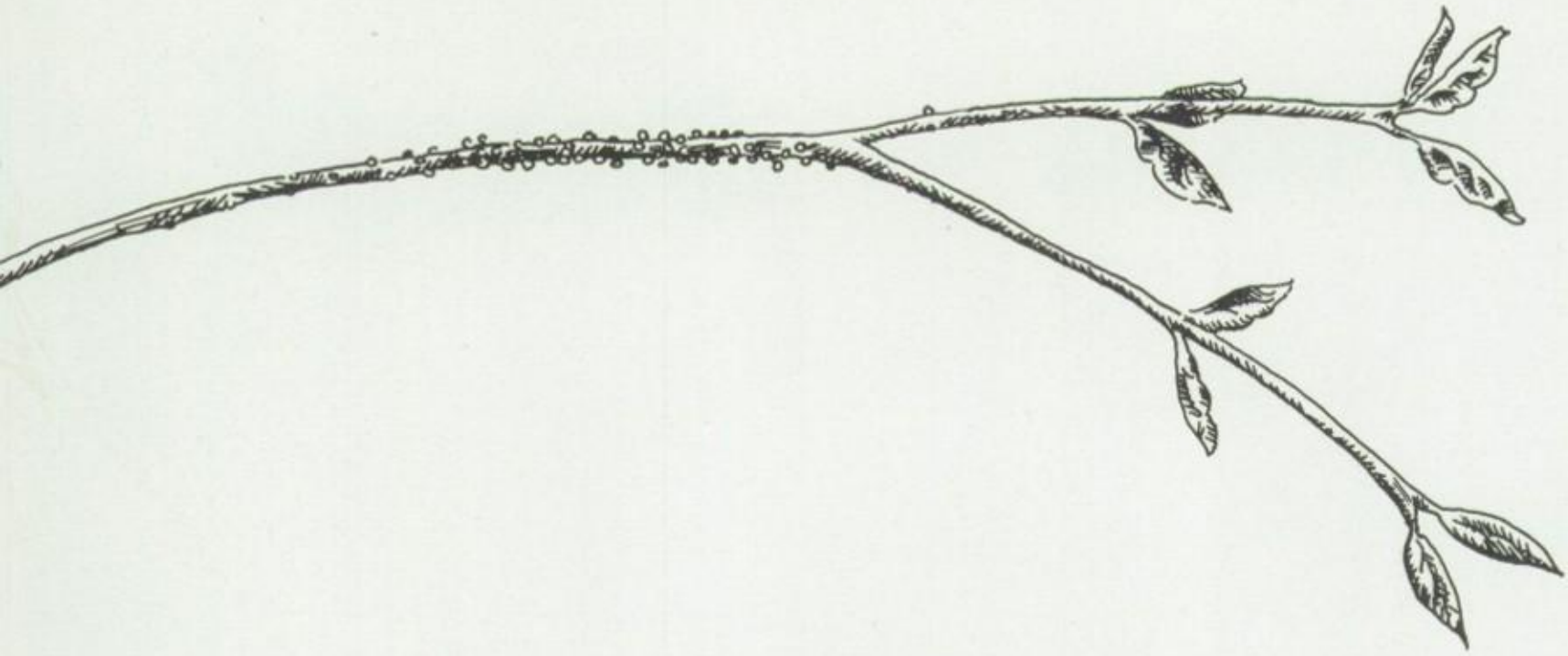
David Payne daydreams about the Georgia Bulldogs.

The girls' chorus practices faithfully for a program.

STUDENT LIFE

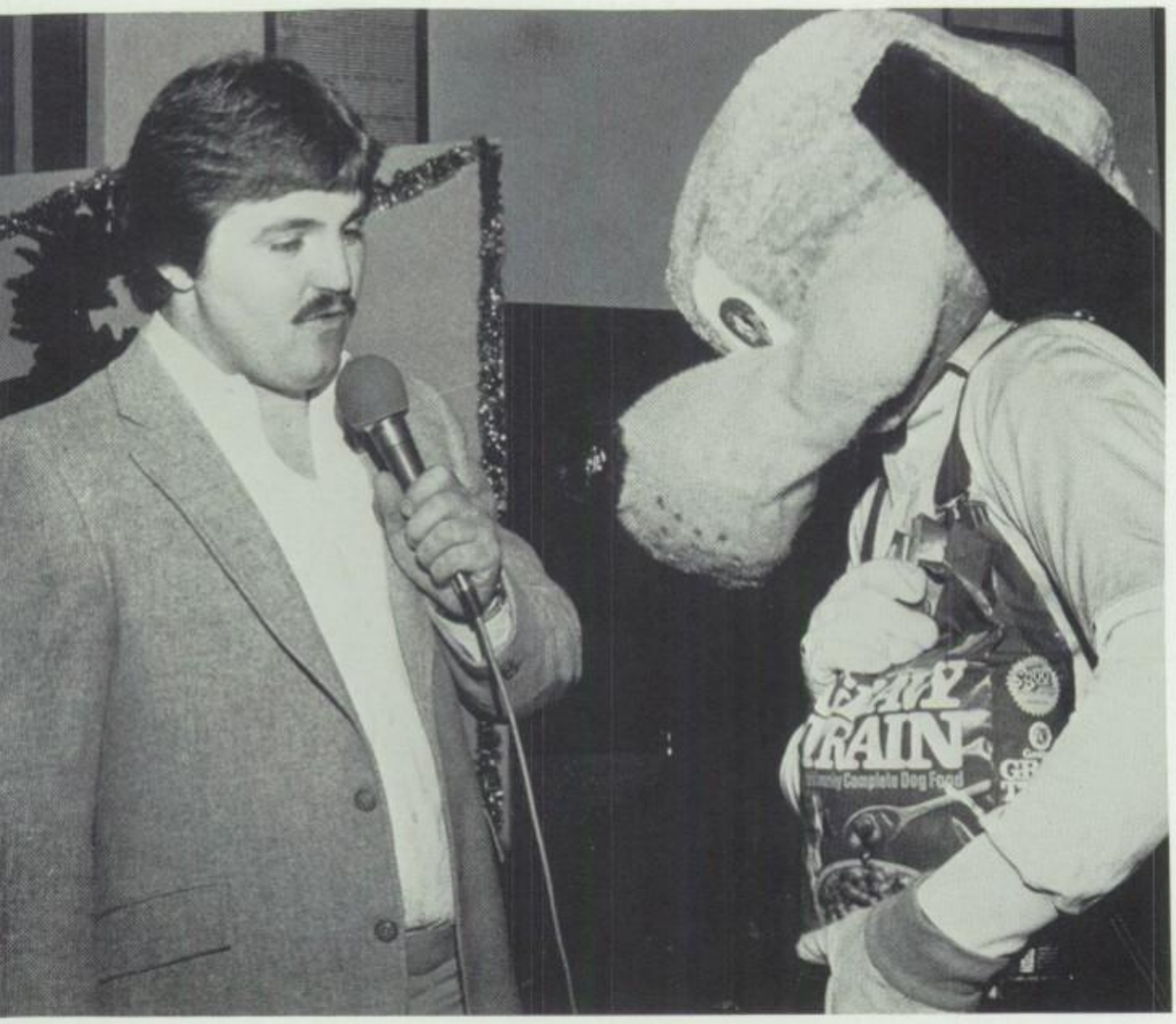
Friendships Breakforth

The opening of a new school year created unfamiliar faces, and fresh surroundings. Flames of friendship were kindled. Social walls were torn down, and a spirit of unity was built instead. The SCS family has broken forth into new beginnings.



Director of the Spanish PTL Club, Josea Silva, speaks from his heart.

The typical scene at chapel on Mondays and Fridays — a full house.



Willie George and Faith Dawg give a lesson in seed-faith.

The Word Is Shed Abroad In Our Hearts at Chapel

Olympic gold metalist, Madeline Manning, speaks of "Running for Jesus".

Manassah Mankuleiyo — Everyone is Called

Josea Silva — Moving in God's Time

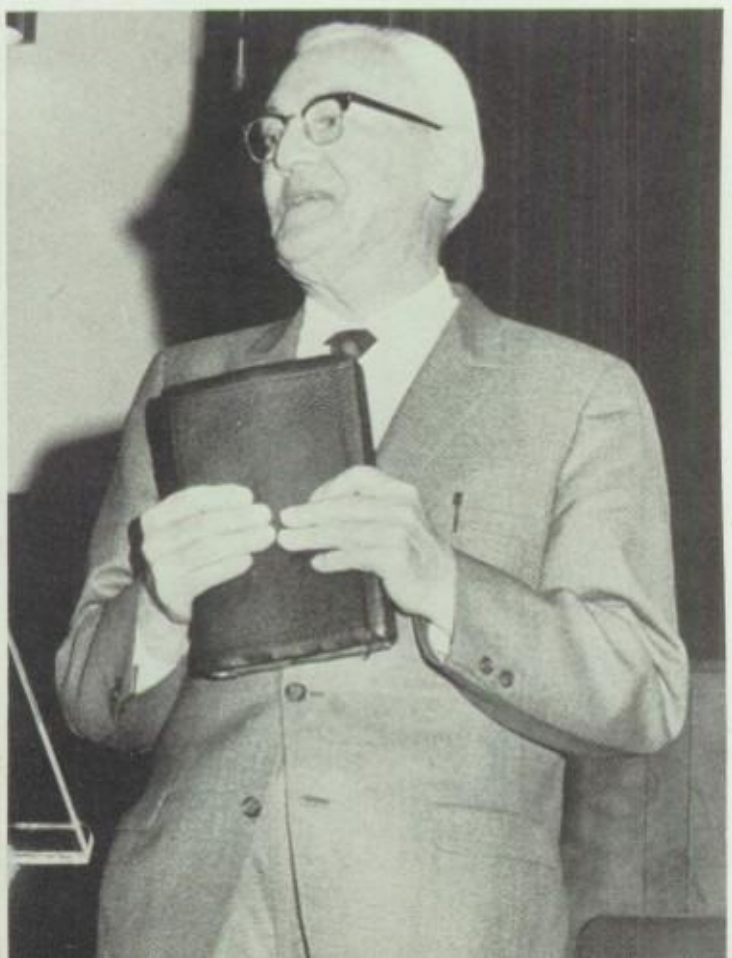
Jim Zirkle — Expanding the Kingdom

Terry Mize — Living to Give

T.L. Osborn — Faith to Change Your World

Terry Law — Being a World Christian

1981 World Missions Conference



Harold Groves — A Pioneer of Faith Evangelism

Headlines In The News

The hostages were freed! Yellow ribbons adorned America. Old glory waved. Church bells rang. Americans felt their patriotism soar, as we celebrated the end of 14 months of captivity for the hostages and negotiations for the Carter administration.

Ronald Reagan became our fortieth president after a landslide victory mandating conservative economic policies. He asked Congress and the people to support cuts in federal spending and taxes.

The Soviets invaded Afganistan and threatened Poland during the formation of the Polish unions. Reagan talked of American invasions in retaliation, and pondered the Soviet grain embargo.

Huge and enthusiastic crowds and terrorists greeted the Pope on his tour of the Orient.

Americans protested the re-established draft registration of all young men aged 19 and 20. A proposal to register women failed in the Congress.

Mount St. Helen rumbled, but in the past year we had grown accoustomed to having an active volcano in Washington.

The drought continued in Oklahoma, but a mild winter with record highs in February gave us many days on the playground.

Deregulation of oil raised the price of gasoline.

LET US PLAY

Four square and seven grades ago we played on a playground. Memories were created and friends were made.

Today our younger brothers and sisters play, still forming friendships and lasting memories. Though we recall playgrounds with sandboxes and large trees for climbing and hanging on, a jungle gym was preferred here, for "cursed is every man that hangeth on a tree." (Gal. 3:13)

Who is this masked man?

Hut, hut, football is one of the most popular sports on the playground.

Boys chasing girls, and vice versa.

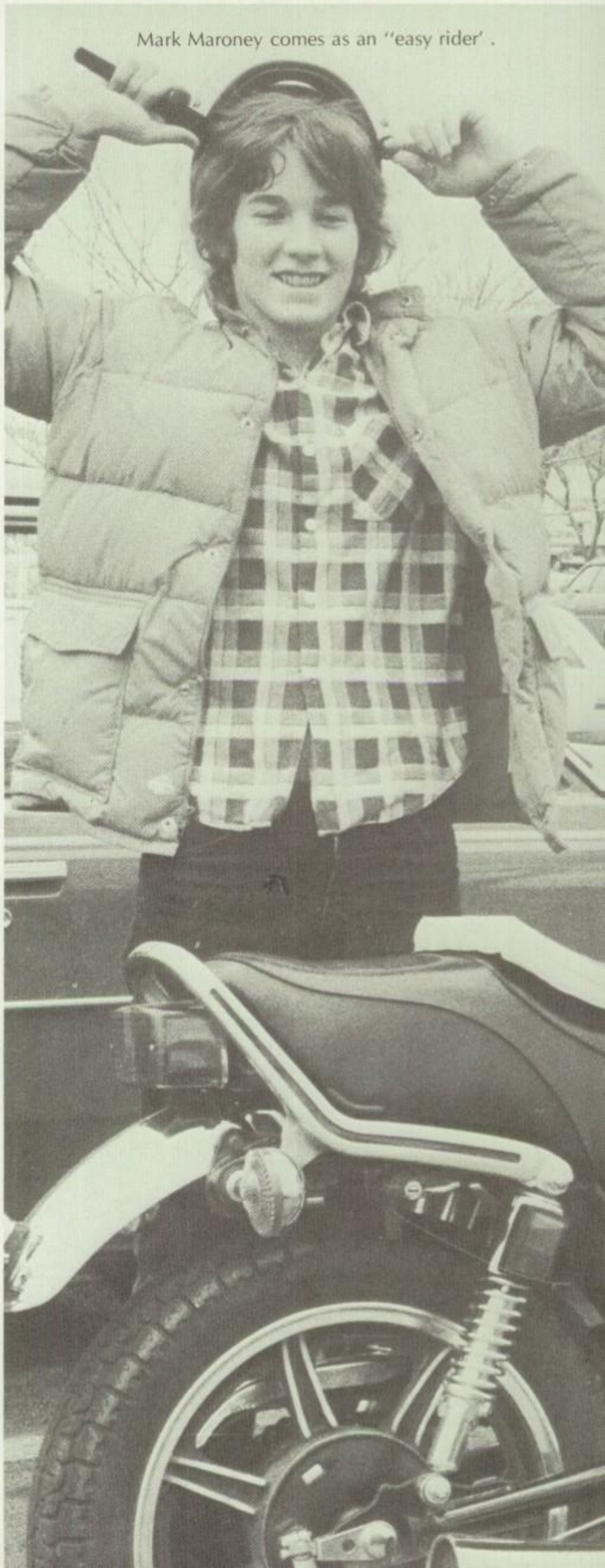
"Ring around the rosy" a favorite with elementary students.

this is the way we go to school

Because we attend a school not centrally located, transportation presented an obstacle. This difficulty was overcome by mild (mild?) sacrifices.

Students were dropped off by their parents who were on their way to work; others bared the wind and cold to catch the bus or a van; still, a few were fortunate to be old enough to drive their own cars.

Pupils came from all parts of Tulsa and many outlying communities. This made "going into all the world" as easy as going home.



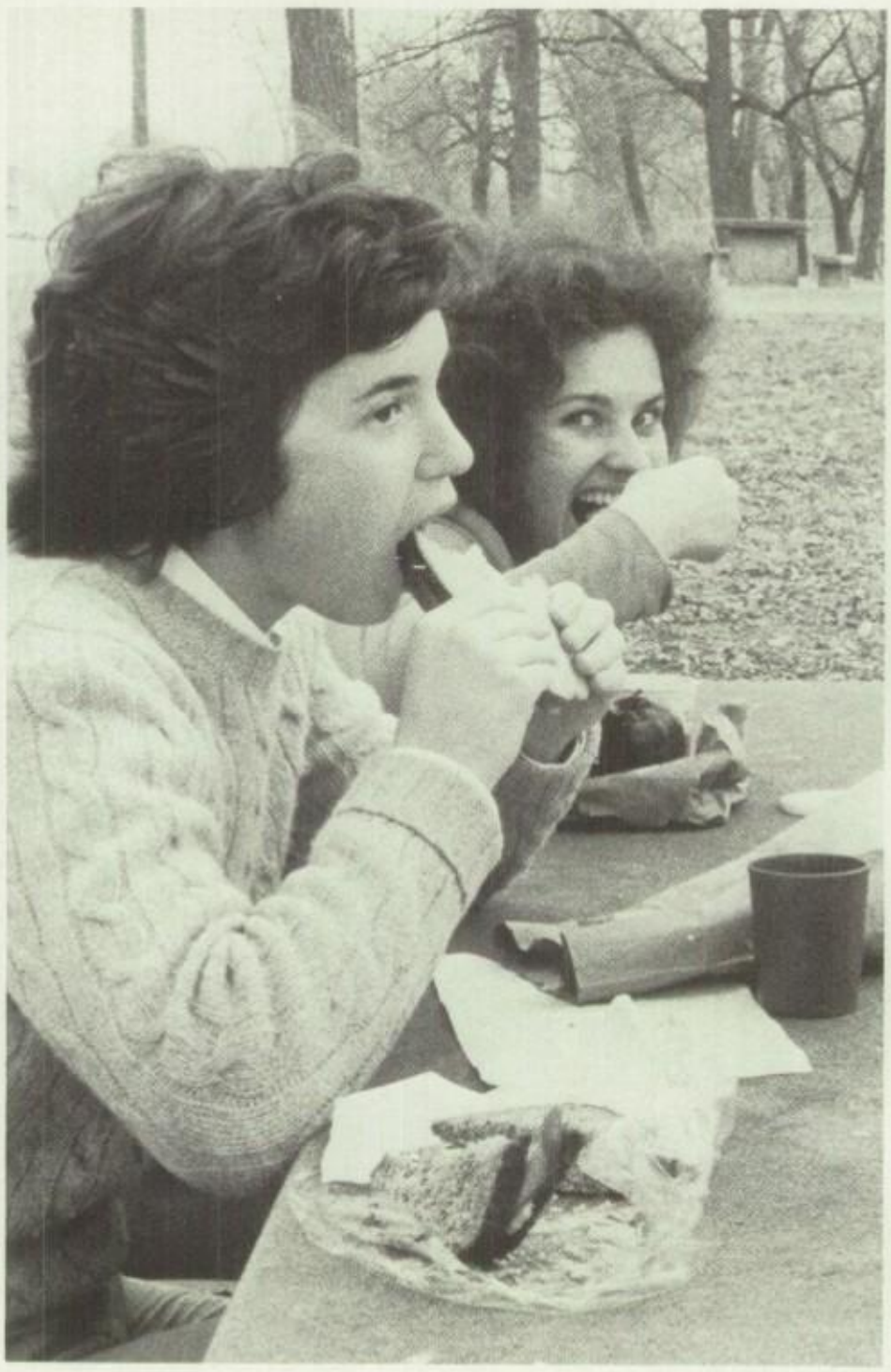
Mark Maroney comes as an "easy rider".

Riding the van helps prove the saying, "the more the merrier".

Joe Robinson decides to pass-up the bus and go home by car-pool.

Andrea Griffin is one of the fortunate owners of a car to drive her family to school.

THE MOMENT WE'VE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR... LUNCH!



Jessica Griffin and Tiffany Goodwin go off-campus to eat at local park.

Some kids exercise their faith and eat the school's lunch.

Taking her tray from the window, Angela Ballenger looks for a good seat.

Mr. Parker enjoys lunch with a few of his students.

Mark Rhea gets his ration.

David Donahue and Michael Eng play "food inspectors".

Even on her birthday, Mrs. Drechsler serves in the cafeteria.

Students Learn The Value Of A Dollar

Robbie Thompson teams up with his sister, Christi, to build sundaes at Swensen's.

Collecting for his newspaper route, Chris Vokoun satisfies another customer.

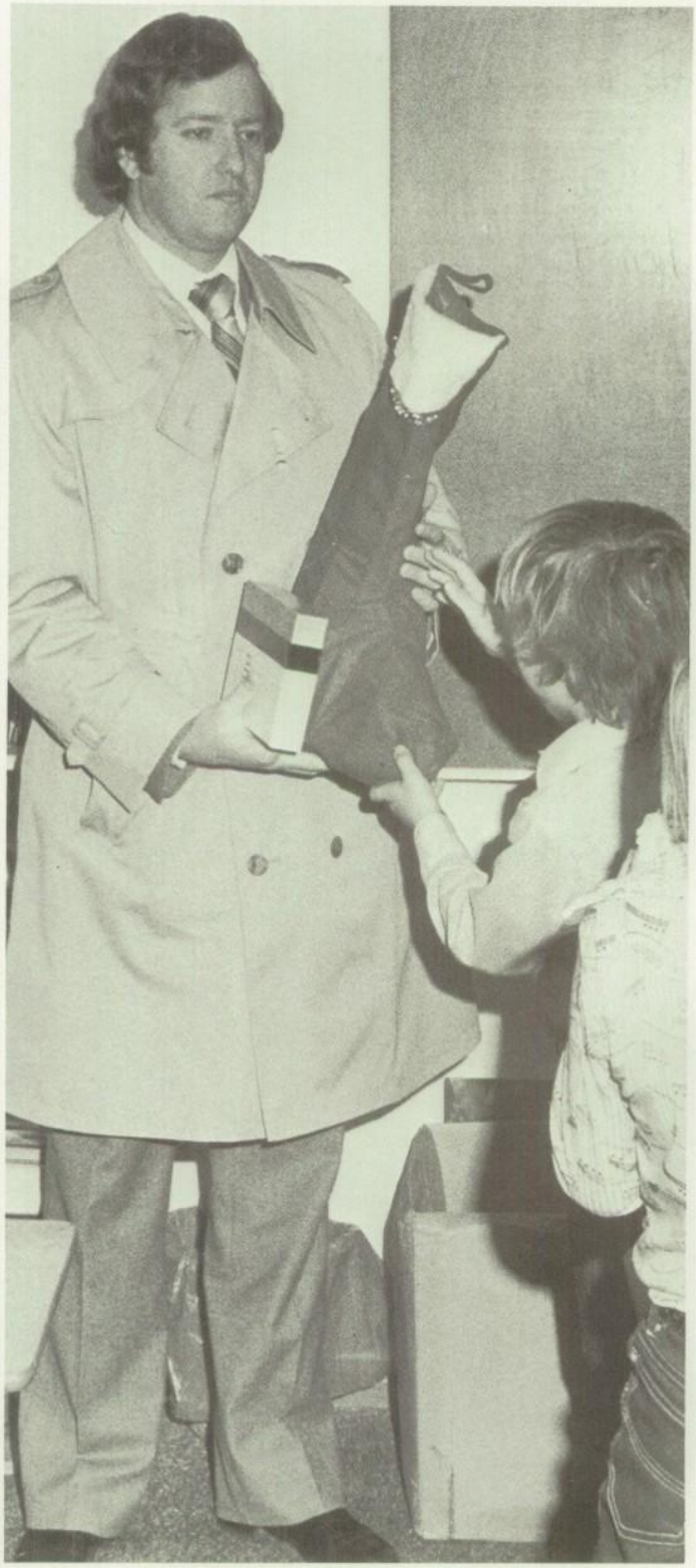
Seniors Sharmayne Hall and Darla Pitts work after school at Sheridan Tapes, preparing cassette tapes for distribution.

ur own "Candy Man" (or woman), Brenda Enns stocks the
ending machines.

Linda Drechsler is employed at the John Zink company to do clerical work: in the marketing department.

The media continually told us that the value f our dollar was decreasing. But somehow, 'e couldn't buy that. We found that our ıoney, being more precious and harder to get, ecame more valuable to us. Therefore, we ent our time in the best possible way to earn some extra cash. Then, with a little discipline, we learned to be good stewards: a lesson too valuable on which to put a price.

Catch The Holiday Spirit



The true spirit of Christmas is exhibited in Mrs. Farrell's class as students help KFMJ radio personality David Graves in giving presents to needy children.

Though Sara Curtis realizes that Thanksgiving is more than the feast, she still thinks, "it's fun!"

Mrs. Teter's fifth grade class performs the play "Silent Night"; re-enacting the origin of the song.

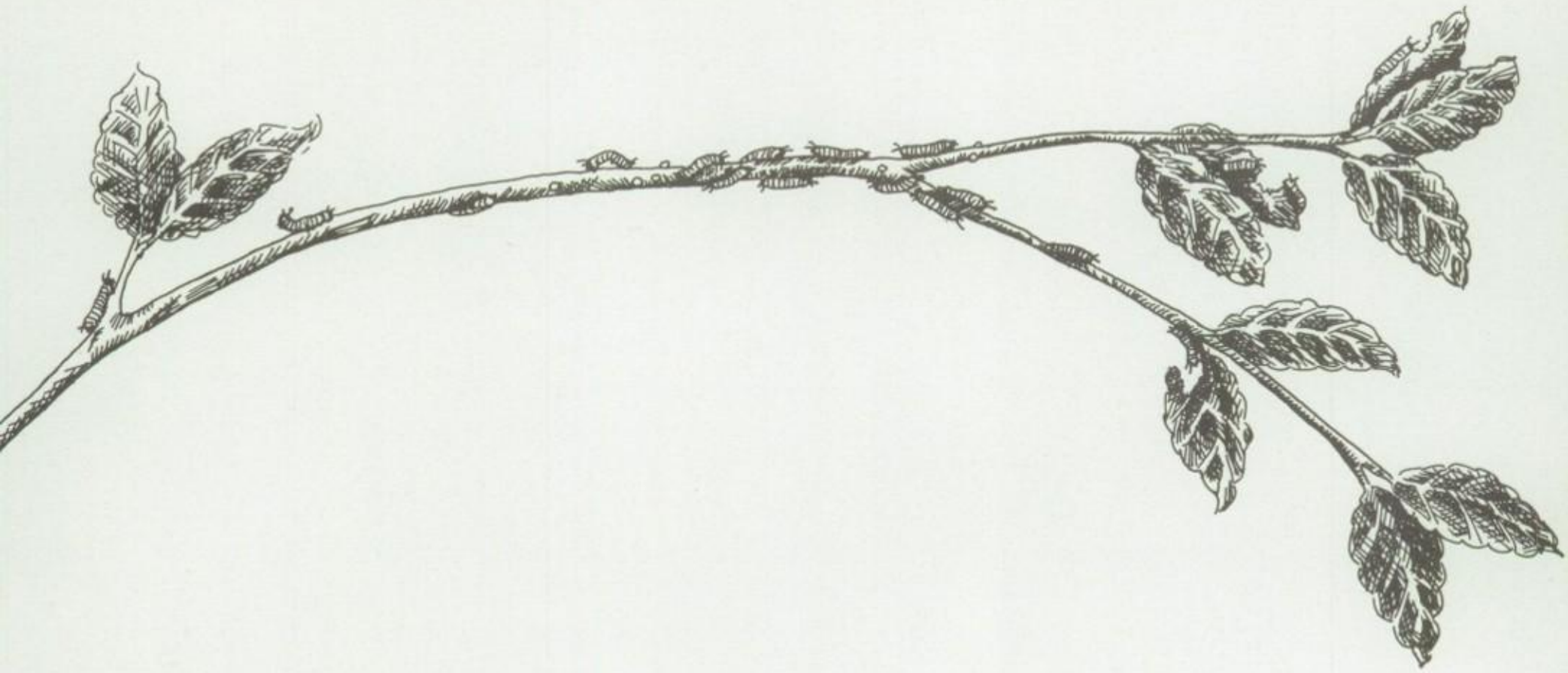
Daniele Cogan and Julie Bowman share gifts as part of their class' Christmas celebration, as Jenny and Jennifer look on.

CLASSES

Development Was Education

Thoughts of the innocence of kindergarteners were tucked away and cherished forever. With field trips and other special events, the elementary students found education synonymous with creativity and fun.

Characterized by excitement and often what seemed to be frustration, the transition from elementary into Middle School and High School brought about constant surprises.



Jennifer Aaron
Michelle Abbott
Tommy Addington
Nanette Alix
Jennifer Beatty

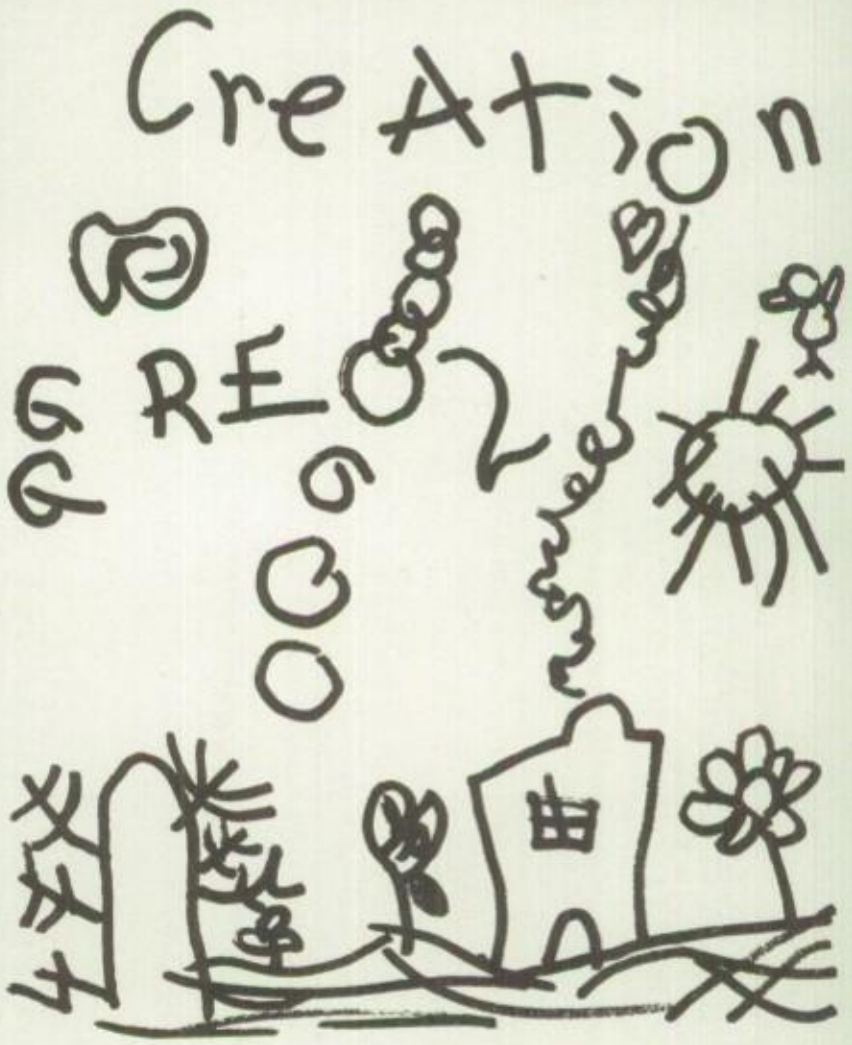
Margie Bell
Houston Clarke
Michael Cossin
Corrie Croissant
Billy Gaige

Wayne Gaige
Chris Gearheart
Charity Gheen
Farrah Gibbs
Joy Glennon

Jessica Hansen
Tami Headings

Justin Horn
Steven Kirk

Minda Lloyd
Jay Longnecker



Greg Holler has his own conception of Michelangelo's version of **The First Day of Creation.**

Looking Through the Eyes of a Child Opens a Whole New World

Tami Headings and Ian Messerli curiously look on as Tommy Addington holds up newly named mice, Tiger and Olivia.

Walking quietly, single-fine down the narrow hall, the four year olds entered their class. Hanging up coats, they stood by the tables and began the day by singing and dancing before the Lord. After quieting down, they gathered in a small circle for their first activity — sharing. Tommy Addington brought two small, gray mice. Following much discussion, and a vote, the mice were named "Tiger" and "Olivia" Crouching low on hands and knees, each kindergartner began whispering to a friend in "mice language."

The kids were taught how God made mice, as well as every other creature, and learned how special each creature is in God's kingdom.

Mark Maynard
Travis Miller
Jennifer Neimeister
Michael Peery
Matthew Reburn

Julie Rouse
Stephanie Seal
April Shahan
Allyson Teter

Amanda True
Elodie True
April Wilson
Olivia Wilson

Starting of an Educational Journey

Jennifer Baker
Chris Barton
Travis Blevins
Cathy Christel
Kim Clowers

Chris Cole
Brooke Croissant
Sara Curtis
John Paul Daniel
Chad DeCourte

Joshua Dudney
Christian Edens
Ben Eshagpoor
Trevor Gibbs
Heather Ginn

Michael Glennon
Trey Goodwin
Wendy Hawkesworth
Jeffrey Herda
Greg Holler

Aaron Howard
Matthew Hunt
Marci Jenkins
Terry Johnson
Kara King

Chris Koski
Bradley Larson
Jason Lowe
Bryan Lower
Kelley Martin

Jimmy McGough
David McKay
Ian Messerli
Jeremy Moore
Travis Munch

Stephen Nail
Kimberly Noble
Joanne Ostler
Samuel Peery
Shelly Potts

Danny Redmond
Melinda Roberts
Lynn Roper
Eddie Russell
Mary Sams

Jason Schrodt
April Sherrill
Amy Smith
Scott Stecher
Michael VanAntwerp

Justis Victor
Aaron Vokoun
Buffy Wesley
David Williams
Jana Zumwalt

Tony Adkins
Melody Barbour
Jason Brede
Jarrod Briley

James Brown
Karl Carnagey
Travis Connor
Matthew Cossin

Joseph Elder
Chris Felty
Janar Green
Ronald Griffin

Cheri Headings
Keri Hollingshead
Kathleen Hunter
Jaramiah Jennings

Chris Concerted At Chapel

With rhythm in his bones, a song in his heart, and a full set of drums Chris sets the beat for the elementary chapel. Since six years of age, his vision has been established . . . "I'm a drummer!"

Chris is our own little drummer boy.

Samuel Jennings
Tony Johnson

Kim Koski
Michael Lugo

Steven Medlock
Trevor McCurley

Cheri sings for she's a new creation.

Meridith Nord
Ashley Nye
Susanna Parker
Tiffany Pittser

Allen Schlecht
Rebekah Schouten
Troy Stafford
Brandi Surber

Loretta Tarman
Corey Taylor
Carrie Todd
Jason White

Erin Whitworth
Deanna Williams
Faith Zaumeyer

First Graders Sing for Joy. . .Maynard

"There's a fountain flowing deep and wide" sing the first graders.

Todd Adams
Tim Baker
Jason Bennett
Bo Boshears

James Capo
Marsh Christmas
Nita Daniel
Shawn Daniel

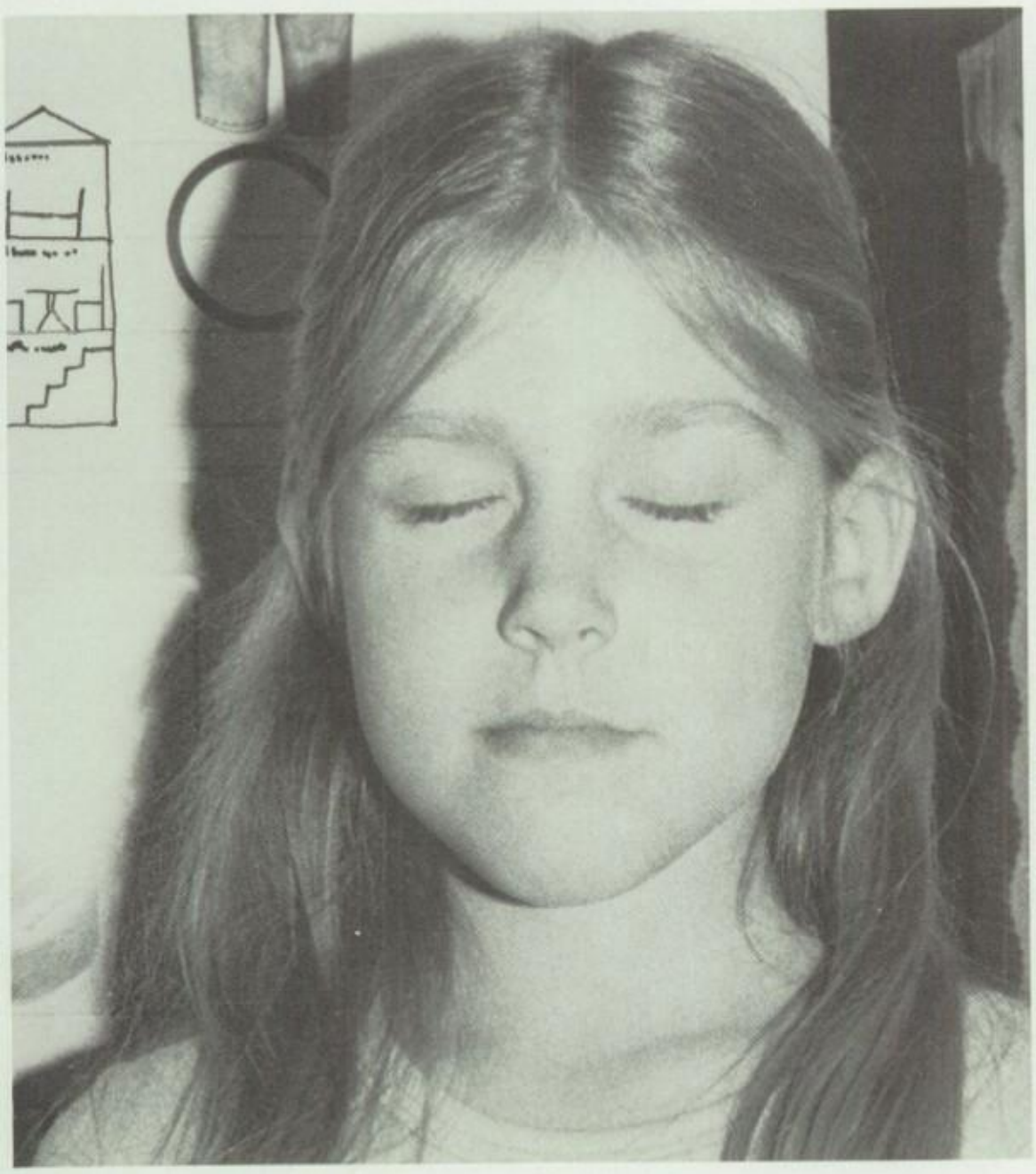
Amy Eason

Merrilee Egan

Brigitt Eshagpoor

"God helps me with my schoolwork," assures Tim Baker.

What Is God?



"I talk to God a lot; He's my father when my dad's not home." whispered Jessica Polk.

To the second graders, God was pictured as a heavenly Spirit who protected them from harm. He guided them as they rode their bikes and healed their bruises when they fell.

Many realized that He blessed and cared for them because, "He is love." When alone in the dark, they were not afraid, because God was keeping them safe from harm.

They expressed feelings concerning "what God means to me." "God means everything to me," sparkled Shannon Lerner. Carolyn Griffin whispered, "God loves everyone and He made everything." Melinda Kavanaugh explained, "He helps me get good grades at school." "He healed me of my allergies," smiled Jason Way. "He gives me a friend to play with," little Lenore Odom giggled.

With happiness shining from their faces the entire class has been admired as "a gift from God." Praise the Lord for a supernatural year, and their simple understanding of God.

Teresa Glennon
Carolyn Griffin
Jennie Heleski

Kedric Johnson
Chad Jordon
Melinda Kavanaugh

Shannon Lerner
Heather Maynard
Steven McGivern
Christie Middleton

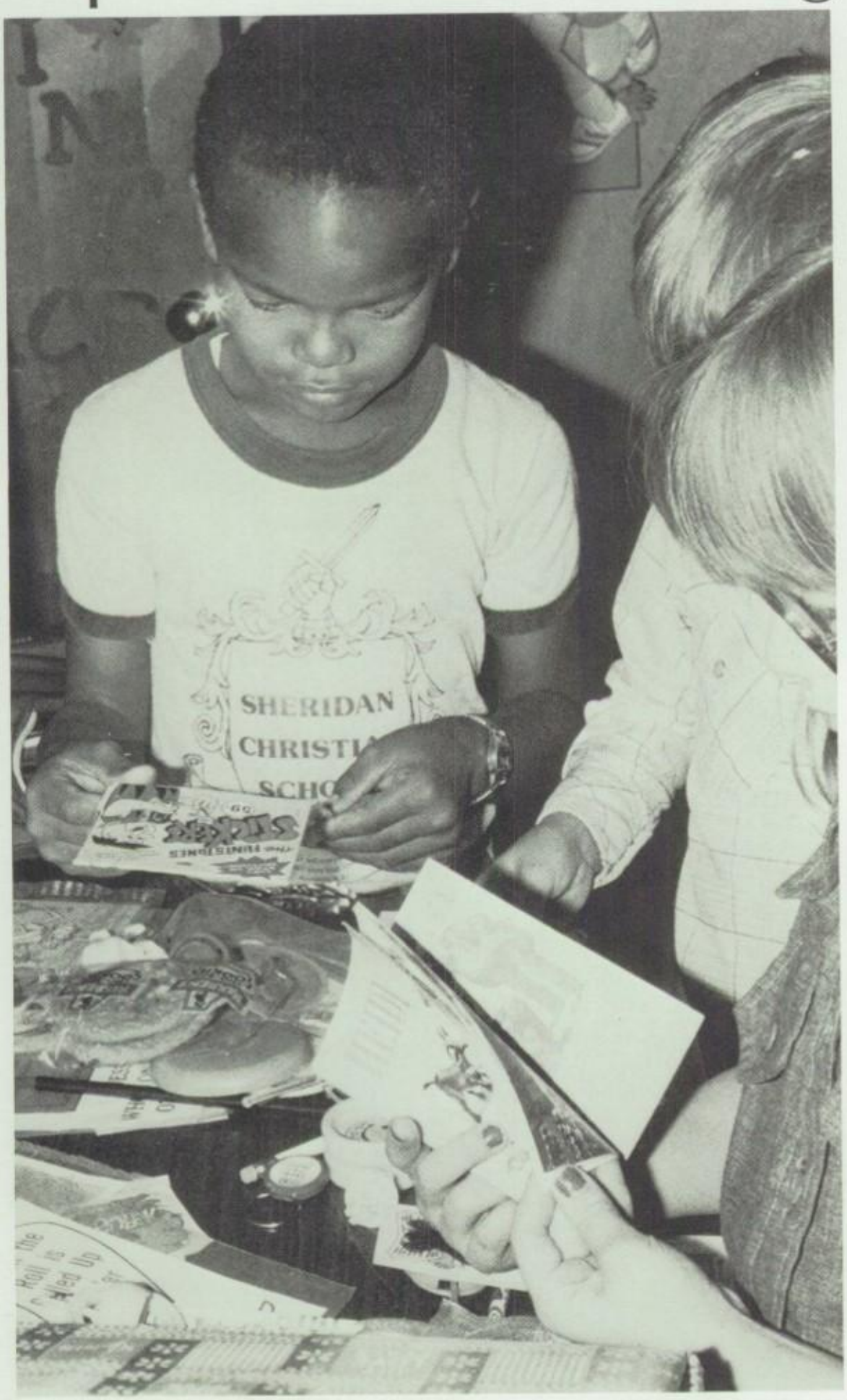
Christopher Moore
Taunie Mounkes
Lenore Odom
Jessica Polk

Shaine Potts
Erdis Roper
Cindy Russell
Kristin Seal

Timmy Stuper
Jenie Tilney
Charity Umber
Teresa Veith

Julie Vokoun
Cindy Vosmeier
Jason Way
Michelle Williams

Experience Is Learning



"Erdis Roper and Julie Vokoun reaps the rewards of hard work from the treasure chest."

The thirty-seven second graders faced each challenge this year with confidence and a big smile. Although the class was divided into separate rooms, it was brought together in love.

Beginning each day they sang songs of praise, and a unique "popcorn-style" confession time allowed the students opportunities to learn the Word. Breaks during the day provided time for relaxation and fun to be shared on the playground. Coupons to open the "Treasure Chest" provided motivation to encourage students in completing their work accurately and on time. These activities were used to open the door a little wider to their Christian education.

"Decisions, decisions, decisions," thought the third graders as they put together their cut-outs.

Faith Barney
Joe Cameron
Brandy Cornwell
Celeste DaVault

Kim DeCourte
Shelley DeCourte
Todd Eastin
Mike Egan

Cass Fahler
Ken Gasper
Vickie Gillespie
Kari Grant

Janel Green
Melinda Harrison
Phillip Hess

Never A Dull Moment In Mrs. Farrell's Class

At first glance Mrs. Farrell's room looked like any other normal classroom. But in the far corner, is the Fun Corner. "The Fun Corner was described by some of Mrs. Farrell's third graders: "It's really fun," "It's super nice," and "It makes me work faster, so I get to visit it." This corner offered a variety of things to do. They could be creative on the chalkboard, or play with one of several games, such as water basketball, view master, phonics games, language games, or other academic games. Most of the activities deal with concepts they already know, but it is an entertaining way to reinforce them.

Mrs. Farrell created the Fun Corner for motivation purposes to reward students for assignments completed. Going to the Fun Corner was a priviledge earned as they developed self-control while co-operating and sharing during game time.

David Johnson
Ryan Larson
Christian Maedgen
Monica Maedgen

Scott Matson
Mary May
Joshua McCormick
Hazel Ostler

The multiplication drill brings students out of their seats.

Holly Parker
David Redmond
Mandy Schouten
Christina Scott

Luke Schaffer
Amy Shaw
David Sheth
Susan Smith

Jason Stafford
Bryan Thurman

Brandi Todd
Paul Walls

Bo Wright
Ray Zumwalt

Learning Can Be Fun

During the year if you happened to be walking by Mrs. Fisher's classroom around nine-thirty, you may have heard the sound of singing voices floating through the crack in the door. The children were in one of their many "Learn By Doing" activities. They were singing along with a record to learn the multiplication tables. There was a different record for each table, each with a different melody. At the end of the record, the children took a quiz. The record played the problem, and the kids sang the answer.

For another multiplication drill, the children were divided into teams, and Mrs. Fisher would present a problem to be solved, and the first person to answer the problem correctly earned a point for their team. At the end, the points were tallied, and one team was declared the winner.

The children enjoyed learning, and will carry that enjoyment of learning with them for the rest of their lives.

"Study to show thyself approved unto God," ponders Martha.

Sean Abbott

Christy Adams

Donald Baker

Angela Ballenger

Bobby Benningfield

Kevin Boyd

Jennifer Capo

Steven Champion

Shane Clarke
Brandy Dossey
Michael Eng
Chad Everett

David Fleming
Stacey Gibbs
Stephanie Hall

They Gave The Word First Place

Each fourth grader had a new, blue Bible to study. With reading skills increasing, they spent quality time searching the scriptures and memorizing selected passages. On a regular basis they stood as a group to quote these in unison.

With a tuck of the chin and a confident smile, Martha Hodge insisted "Why of course, Bible study is my favorite class!"

Trisha Mounkes and Stacey Gibbs examine their favorite book.

Jason Heleski
Martha Hodge
Mark McDaniel
Trisha Mounkes

Glyn Ostler
Joy Parker
Julie Parker
Denyse Pluchel

Field Trip Took Group From Museum to McDonald's

The massive doors of the World Museum were pushed open as the sixty fourth and fifth graders entered inquiringly as they toured "the world under one roof."

"Shrunken heads!" gawked Sean Abbott. "Ooh, look at those antique cars!" gasped Steve Stevens. The noise level subsided to an awesome quietness as they entered the quiet, peaceful atmosphere of the Osborne Chapel.

Students fill their "tummies" after a tour of the World Museum.

No Social Studies class is complete without a trip to a museum.

Christine Pruett
Mickey Raines
Lori Snodgrass
Robert Snow

Ryan Stafford
Steve Stevens
Brandon Thomas
Andy Townes

"Prayer Warriors" pray diligently for fellow classmates needs.

Timmy Addington
Amy Andrews
Pam Barney
Karen Christmas

Charlie Cummins
Angelique Davis
Sarena Day
Georgia Dean

Erin Dobbs
Sheri Ehlers
Gary Finecy
Jeffery Gasper

Joseph Green
Sarah Griffin
Jeff Hail
Tracy Karnbach

Cathy Kavanaugh
David Kavanaugh
Melissa King
Clarence Lawson

"The Effectual Prayer of a Righteous Man Availeth Much"

As the fifth graders walked into their classroom, they felt the excitement around them. In the midst of all the chatter about what happened the day before, or what happened on the way to school, everyone was scurrying to their seats, anxious to be on time. They all opened their Bibles and turned to Ephesians 6, to read their scripture for the day. Then they decided it was the day for a boy to lead the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to their Bibles. After devotions they put their Bibles in the boxes under their desks.

Next, it was time for Prayer Warriors. The whole class raised their hands, wanting to volunteer to pray for their classmates' needs, but the ones who had never been a prayer warrior before were first priority. As they all put their heads down on their desks and closed their eyes, those wanting prayer raised their hands. The three prayer warriors and the teacher went to each uplifted hand to pray. Various needs, such as healing of a backache, healing of a toothache, and numerous requests for strength were met. After all needs were prayed for the "Kindness Agents" wrote kindness notes to their partners for the week. The rest of the day was filled with studies, exercises and lots of jubilation, especially when the bell rang at 3:00 p.m.

Elizabeth Martinez
Susan McCormick
Nicole Mehaffie
Chris Morgan

Tammy Mounkes
Cory Nicks
Michelle Nord
Jackie Perry

Connie Pruitt
Lisa Richardson
Pam Salzman
Taurel Sargent

Each week the fifth grade participated in what they called "Kindness Agents." Every week each student, after names were chosen, was asked to esteem that person without actually letting anyone know whose name they had. If both students at the end of the week had guessed their "agent" correctly, they received an award. The following were a few examples of the children's correspondense of confidence.

"God bless you! I don't know you, but it's okay, God still loves us both. I will pray for you from now on, even though I don't know you. The Lord wants you to feel strong everyday. God bless you forever and ever. That's all I have to say for now. Your sister in God, Kindness Agent."

"God loves you! You have real good New Creation behavior. You look nice today. You are a new creation and the sunshine of this class. You're more than a conqueror. You've been born again; old things in your life have been passed away, you're just a new creation all over. From Anonymouse."

Through these letters the students learned how to show love to one another and to esteem one another better than himself or herself.

Georgia Dean meditates on the scripture "In everything give thanks" as she prepares her "Kindness Agent."

Who's Your Secret Kindness Agent?

Georgia Dean prayerfully considers what she has just read in her daily Bible study.

Debra Schizenski
Tony Shanks
Irvin Thomure
Beth Vosmeier

Patrick West
Vince Williams
Lisa Yeager
Jim Yourman

It's Hats Off For The Sixth Graders

The "Crazy Hat Day" Gang are acting as crazy as their hats look.

Scott Bennett
Julie Bowman
Terry Brantley
Christine Champion

Daniele Cogan
Shirlena Collins
Ricci Crane
Monique DaVault

Jennifer Dean
Scott Edens
Bonnie Everett

D.J. Enns
Diana Fleming
Kelly Hall

This particular day was a day for wearing a crazy hat. The idea was to have a hat that was unique; not seen in everyday life. There were straw hats, hard hats, cowboy hats and other indescribable hats.

Near the end of the day, there was a "most unique hat" contest. Sarah Redmond received the girls' prize and the boys' prize winner was Devin Sappington. It was a lot of fun.

Jennifer Parker poses to show her unique orange juice can hat.

Blake Harrison
Amy Hiatt
Steven Hughes
Stephen Peters

Sarah Redmond and Devin Sappington win the "Crazy Hat Day" contest prize.

Jennifer Parker
Sarah Redmond
Devin Sappington
Brent Snodgrass

Hats on to the Sixth Grade

Most of the time Scott Turner was surrounded by his sixth grade companions. He has realized the need for his leadership role both spiritually and academically.

This candid shot shows the typical "chapel-day" attire for grades six through twelve. Wearing ties on Monday and Friday gave good appearance, plus enhanced the academic quality of all students.

Scott Turner knows Abraham's blessings are his.

Gordon Tarman
Scott Turner
Devin Venable

Lisa Wermager
Tina West

Len Ballenger
La Rae Dobbs
Shannon Driscoll
Stephanie Duncan

Darren Ehlers
Ross Fowler
Daren Henegar
Mary Hodge

Jimmy Hurlbut

Cherri Jennings

Terri Jennings

Eric Mehaffie gets energy to sound his coronet.

Mary Hodge solos in **Lord, I'm Coming Home Today.**

Phil Johnson

Lynette Karnbach

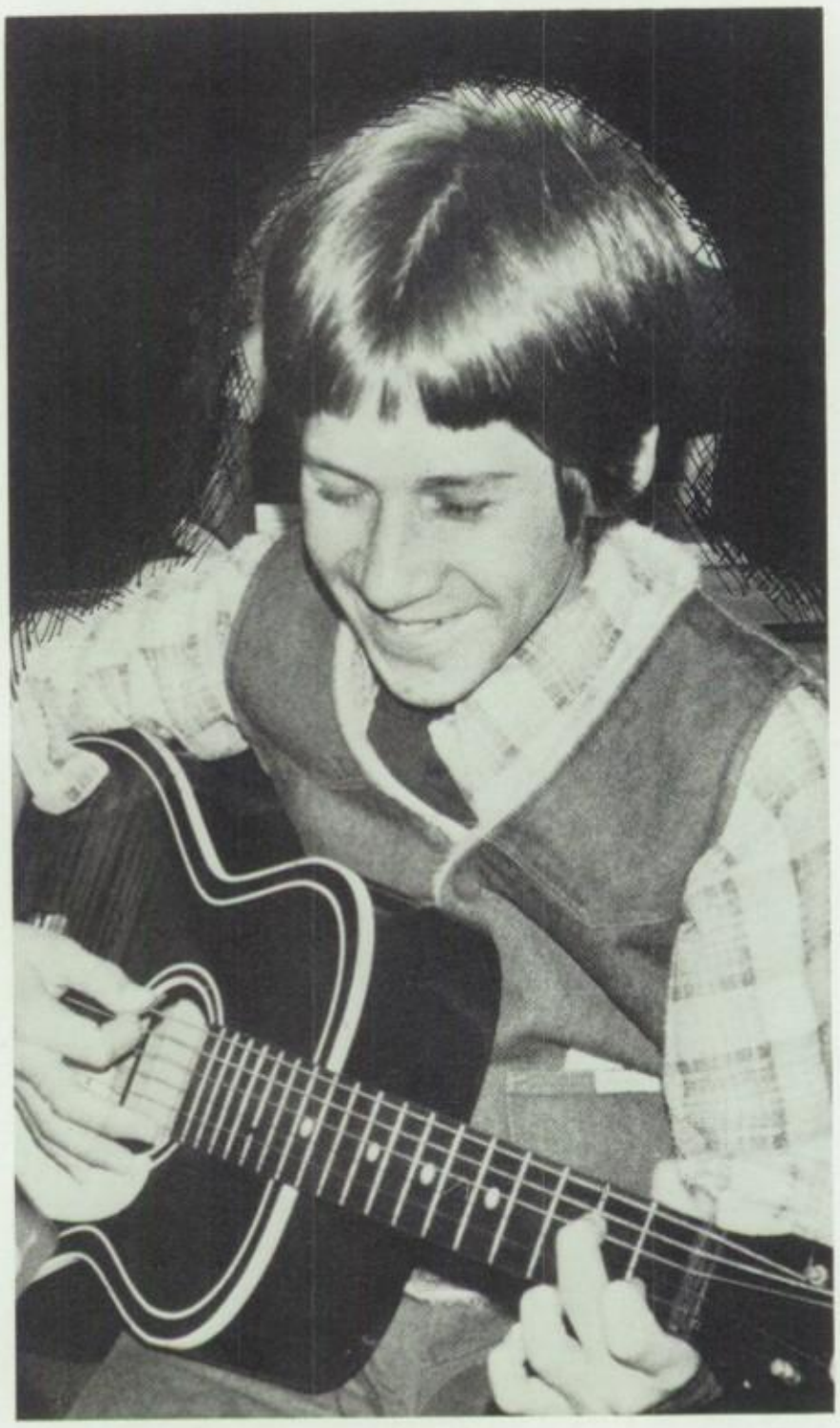
Music Is A New Outlet Of Talent

Music gave opportunity for the seventh grade class to demonstrate some of their talents. With guitars, band instruments, gym bags plus loads of text books, the seventh graders asked, "Where do we put all our belongings?" "What is a fret?" asked hopeful guitarists, as Mrs. Maynard patiently instructed the beginners. Strumming on his old guitar, Nelson West burst forth in worship and praise.

Auditions were scheduled and individuals were chosen for parts in the program David Grothe planned in the Fall.

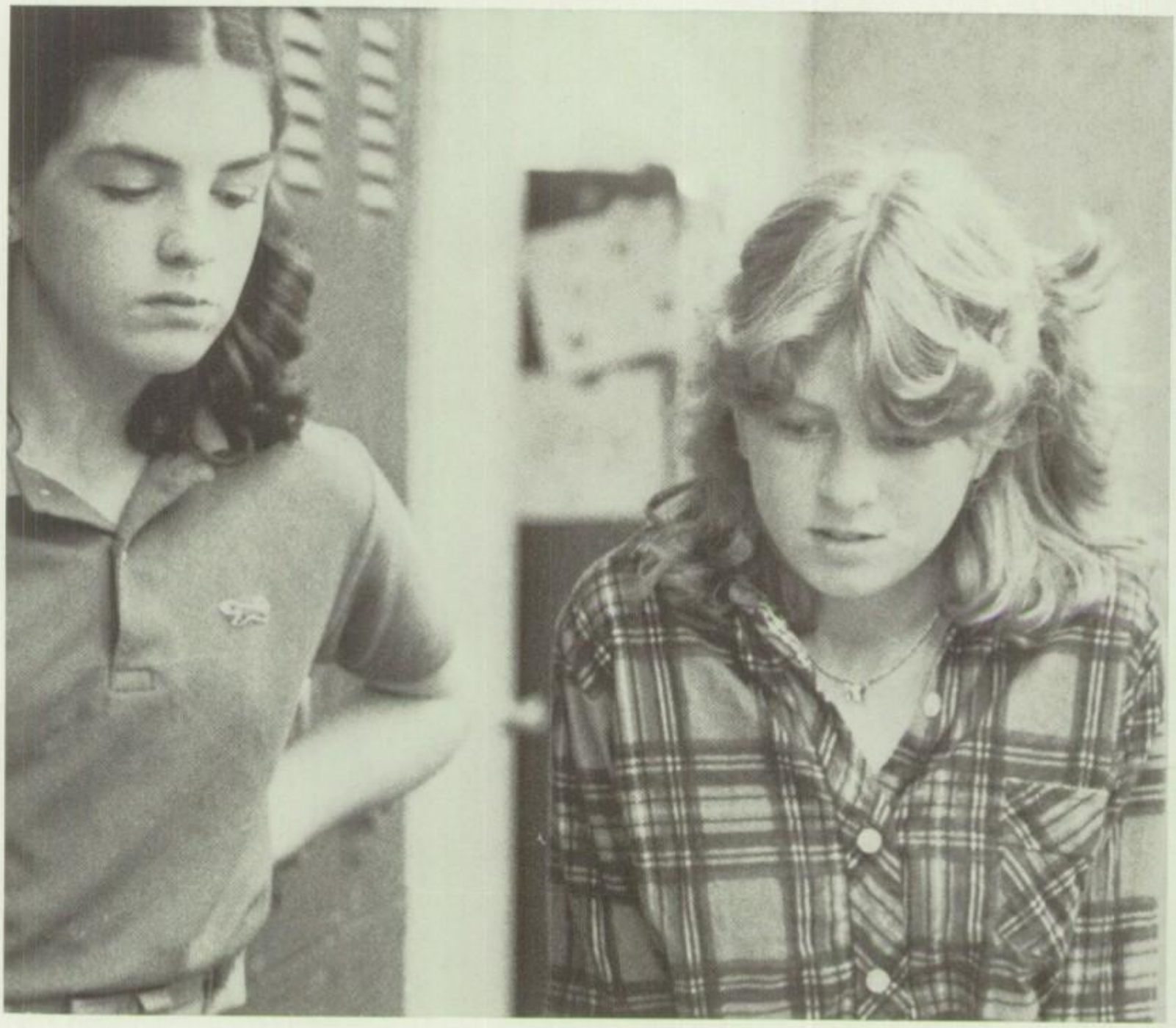
Emotions were stirred, and hearts were blessed as the sound track started and soloist, Mary Hodge, with the back-up of the chorus sang, **Lord, I'm Coming Home Today.**

Throughout the entire year this class engaged itself in various musical ventures, declaring, "We worship God through music!"



This is the Day! . .sings Nelson West.

Jim Lamb
Joey Landrith
Roger Martinez
Eric Mehaffie



"Cherri, how many more days do we prick fingers?" asked Dawn.

Robbie Miles
Pat Owens
Dawn Pluchel
Bobby Pruett

Danielle Ray
Wendy Shreve
Kathy Snelson
Melissa Stuper

Todd Taylor
De'Ann Thomure
B.J. Tilney
Derek Turner

Nelson West
Jeff Wilcox
Cindy Wright

Derek Turner goes home with a full load of homework.

Seventh Graders Receive Typing Lesson

No typewriters were needed, just slides, pricks and blood.

"It's not gonna hurt!" assured Cherri Jennings. "I don't need to, if Cherri has type 0, so do I!" panicked twin sister, Terri. Derek Turner pricked his finger; boasted, "Ya wanna see more blood?" as he swung his arm 'round and 'round. "My finger's dirty!" laughed the students as "Nurses" Dawn Pluchel and Mary Hodge assisted.

After the pain had subsided, there were sighs of relief to see ten extra points scored beside the name of each volunteer.

Brenda Boyd

Lisa Capo

Clayton Christmas

Christine Cogan
Ron Cummins
Michelle Egan
Kim Fleming

Richard Gasper
Sharon Gay

Eighth Grade Speaks Out

The eighth graders expressed varying opinions and attitudes concerning SCS as opposed to other schools. John Medlock stated a bit of profound wisdom, "Sheridan is a Christian school . . . Most public schools aren't."

Responses concerning their reasons for enrolling at SCS included statements like: "Mom wanted me to," and "At public school it is hard to find Christians friends!"

Most of these students have plans to graduate from SCS, unless they move out of town.

Monique Kaleda and Kim Wood are forming a lasting friendship.

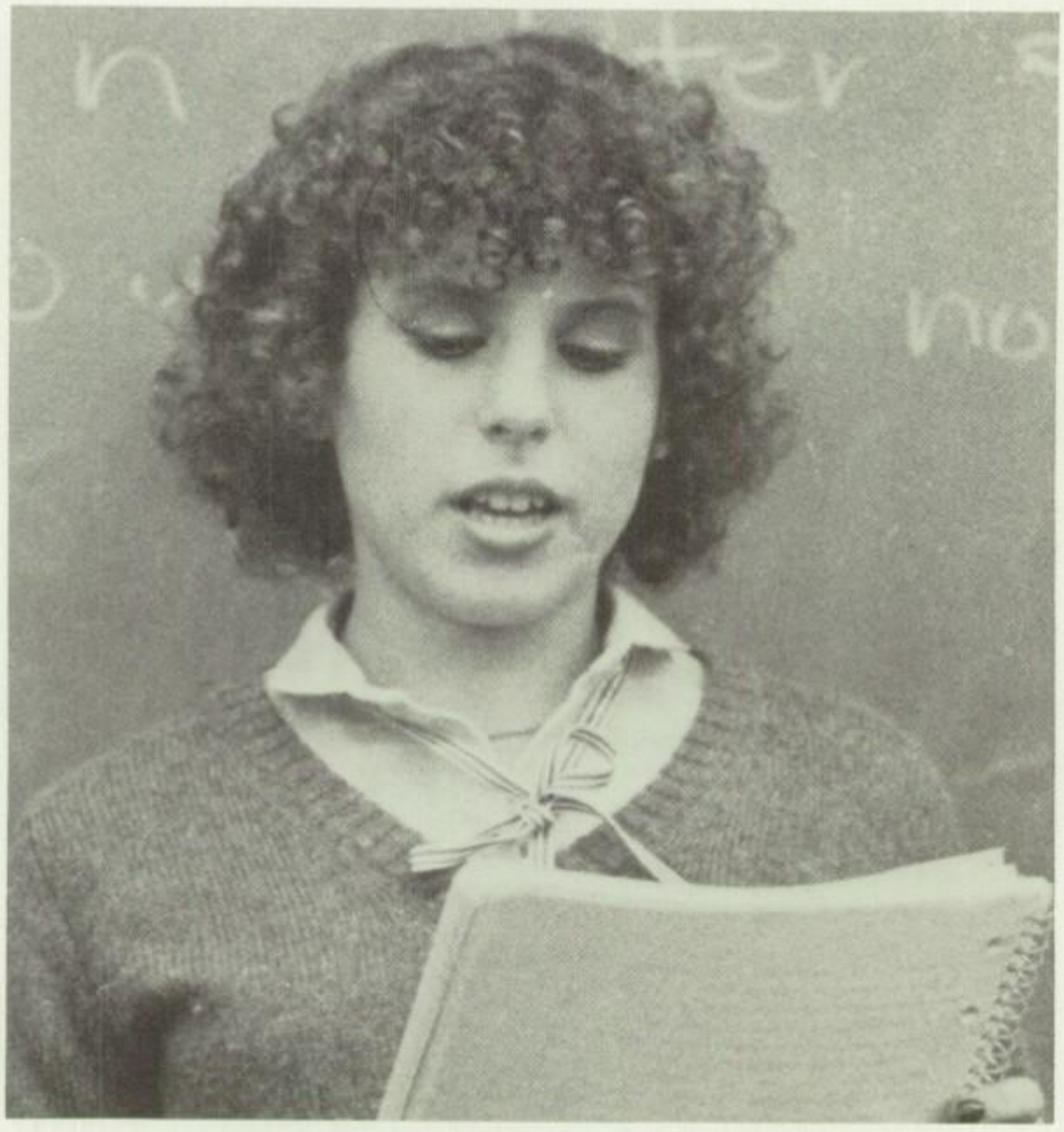
Richie Goodwin
Wally Heath
Tommy Hunt
Monique Kaleda

Lisa Larson
John Medlock

Janice Meier
Tim Miller
Trudy Mounkes
Marrianne Neimeister

Peter Redmond
Bob Scott
Scott Stewart

Creativity In The Eighth Grade Flourishes



Tammy accepts the challenge of oral communication.

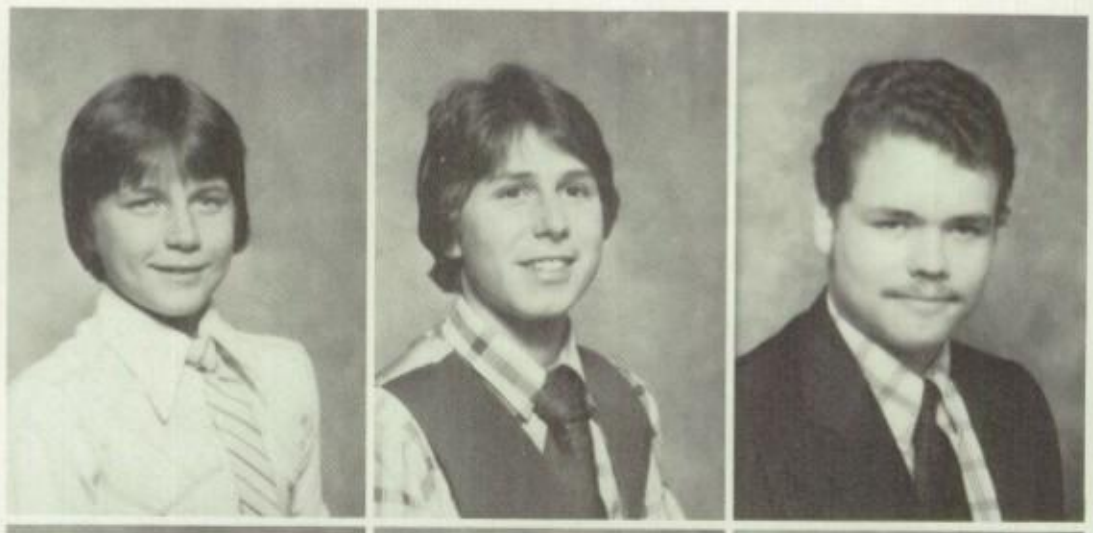
Master Designer
by Tammy Vokoun

The trees firmly rooted in the
source of their life,
Are God's perfect example to
man day and night.
The life of the water that flows
through the rocks,
Supplies to God's creation and
never stops.
The trees, sky and water
below,
Have all been designed by the
Master to show
Their beauty blended all
perfect in sight.
To affirm they were made
By His power and might.

Tamara Vokoun
Kimberly Whitesel
Dawnette Williams

Garen Throneberry
Kim Wood
Kyle Worden

Ron Cummins' artistic ability was illustrated in this humorous drawing.



Kevin Bell
David D'Alessandro
Brian Eads

Kim Enns
Julie Erlandson
Andrea Flake

Lockers Can Be Fun

Smiles were in vogue for both Andrea Flake and Kim Enns.

Pictures of a foreign sports car, Ben Griffin in a goalie uniform, Jack Johnson from youth camp, a pencil holder and miniature license plates are among the collection Andrea has arranged on her "industrial-brown" locker door.

"Who's concerned with lockers?" joked Kim as she continued swinging.

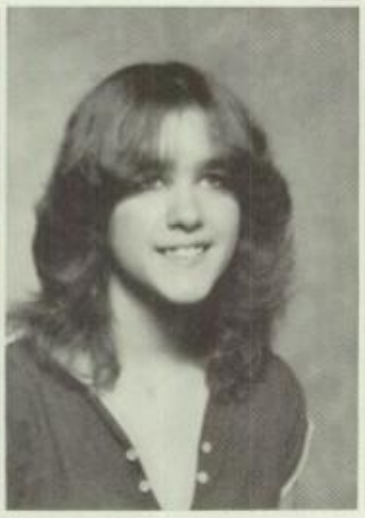
Andrea displays stick-on locker decor.

Kim gets in the swing of things.

Jessica Griffin
Linda Hays
Lee Anne Hiatt
Ronnie Hurlbut

David Ingles
Jera Johnson
Joyce Kavanaugh
Lynn Lewsader

Dennis Loane
Dana Mehaffie
Mickey Meydag
Cindy Pankey

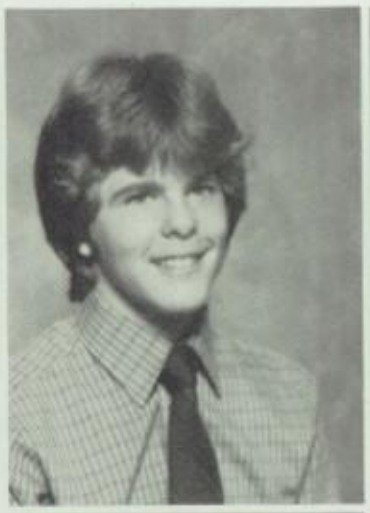


"Do we ever not have English Literature homework?" wonders Cindy Pankey.

Cindy and Chris have diversified interests.

Arms loaded with books indicated that ninth graders were serious about the homework load.

When muscles were needed, who else but "Chip" would jump into the cavernous luggage well to carefully place the travel bags.



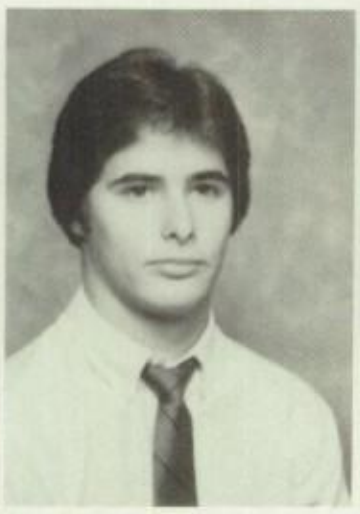
David Payne
Nanc'jo Shassberger
Jennifer Townes

Chris Vokoun
Scott White

Freshmen Can Do Anything

"Goin' to Meno!" groaned Chris as he loaded the luggage.

Stewart Azuma
Kim Benningfield



Sam Black
Craig Burnett
Lisa Chapman
Carla Crager

Sophomores Have

Renee Donohue

Angela Gobble

"Hey, anybody want a ride?" Terri yells.

Andrea Griffin
Greg Hittle
Billy Hudson

Terri Hudson
Scott Hughes

Arrived, In Their Cars

A visible sign of sophomore status was a car, and the precious few that had them were looked up to by the lower grades and counted on by their friends.

A new book, the **Oklahoma Driver's Manual,** was added as a textbook for drivers' education, and was pored over from cover to cover. A new card, a driving permit, was added to the wallet, and was passed around by admiring peers.

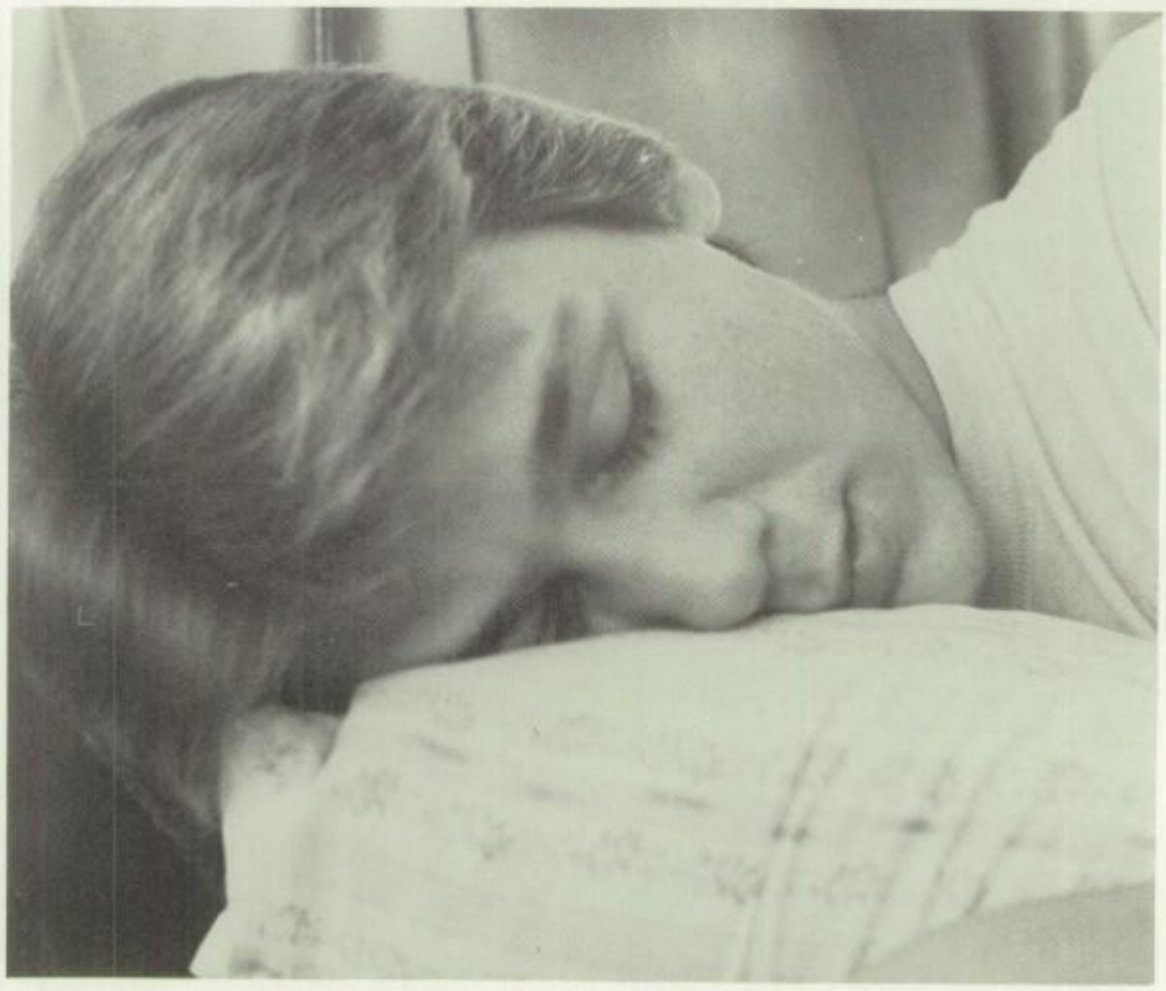
By driving a car, sophomores experienced a real feeling of independence. Lower classmen saw all the fun, but were unaware of the responsibility of owning one's own car.

As the year progressed, new vehicles began emerging in the student parking lot. Who were these vaguely familiar faces, crowding the parking, blocking the exits, and causing commotion at lunch? They were the sixteen year old tenth graders.

Sam Black gives the "thumbs up" after passing his drivers test.

Sheila Karnbach
Dee Ann Meier

Cheryl Miles
Mike Reedy
Angie Scott



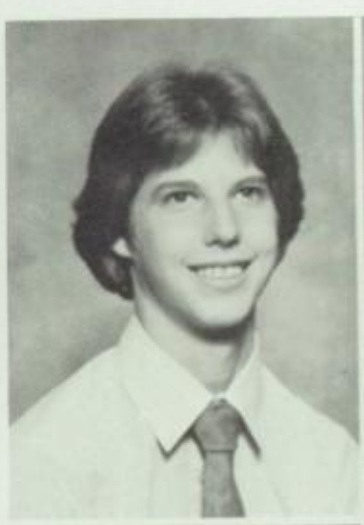
Scott finds the necessity of a break from the busy activities.

Sophomores have gained momentum, and they readily accepted the challenge of high school life. Probably their best friends were the vending machines.

Subjects such as chemistry and Algebra II probe their minds. Somehow students like Scott Hughes had the ability to be in every sport, regardless of the strain it put on his social life. Through it all Renee Donohue and Andrea Griffin had the class confirming, "We are the best Sophomore class ever.

Sophomores Accept the Challenges

Renee and Andrea strike a pose for a fashion magazine.

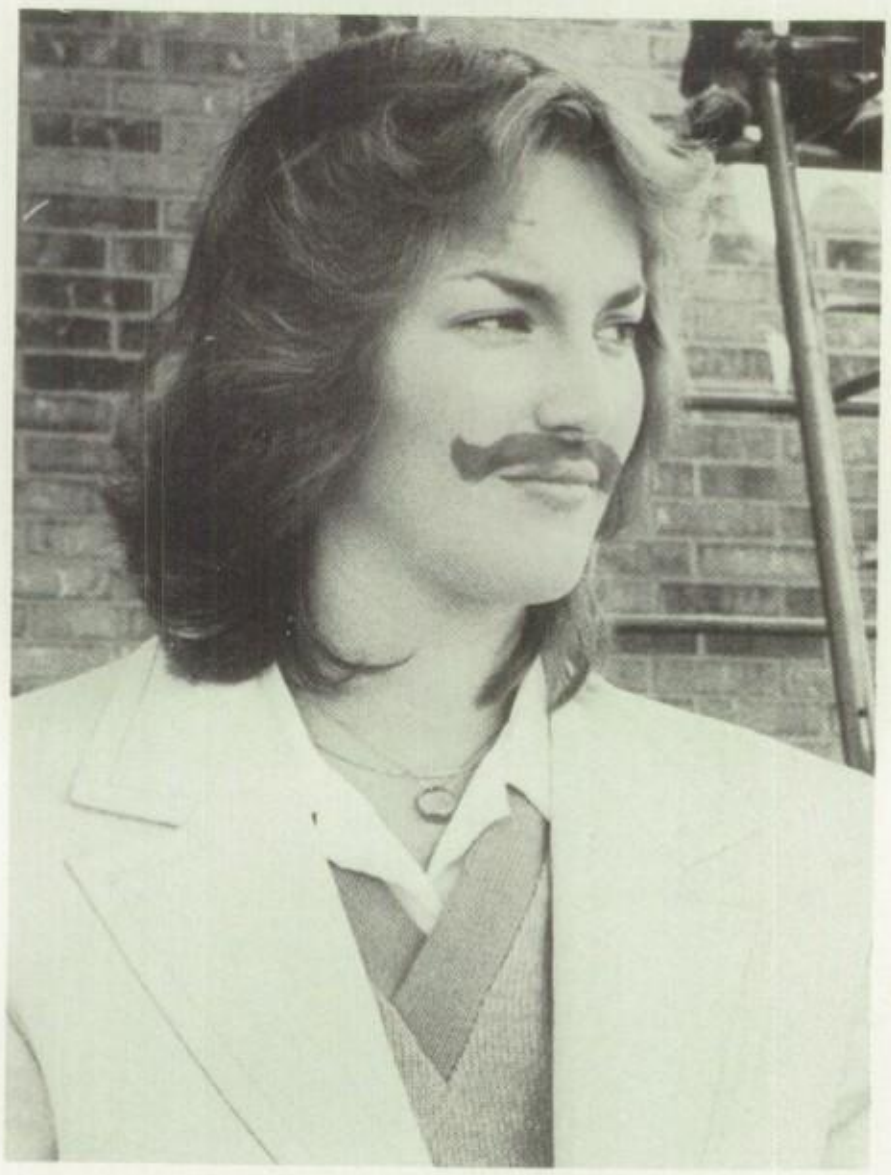


Orrin Seals
Leslie Stephens
Carol Stith
Anne Strege

Robbie Thompson
Chris Walls
Deona Williams

Carmella Altoft
Rhonda Barber
Carol Barrett
Kelly Carlson

Angela Cornett
Jill Dunkelberger
Debbie Earl
Tiffany Goodwin

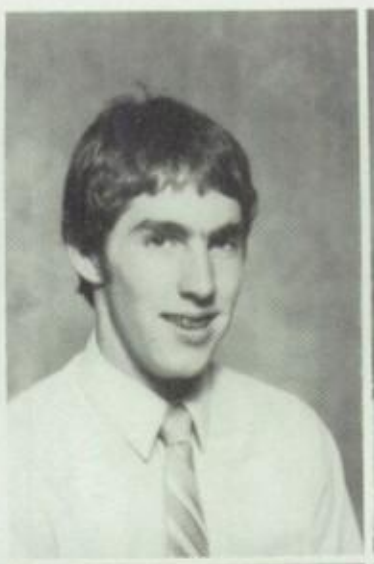


Carmella Altoft impersonates Coach Halbrook.

Humor Manifested In The Junior Class Drew Much Attention.

Will the real Tom Halbrook please stand up? Carmella Altoft enthusiastically portrayed the role of a "new coach in his gold blazer topping the Columbia blue sweater. Mustache trimmed and face stern, she called forth plays to the "team" of cheerleaders.

Ben Griffin, that's entertainment.



Ben Griffin
Gail Hansen

Angie Hollingshead
LaDonna Karnbach

Sarah Martin
David Martinez

With a mike in hand, Ben Griffin is most comfortable. Along with his "shins", comedy is his strongpoint. The only reason he looked lonesome was due to the absence of a sidekick.

Talent Flourished Within The Junior Class

"Well, okay," Kim says as she prepares for speech class talent show.

Richard Warren gained his Recommended Daily Allowance of potassium as he consumed the yellow "plantanos" in preparation for his guitar performance in the speech class talent show.

Kim Vokoun and "you know who" wrote an original skit to entertain at the class function.

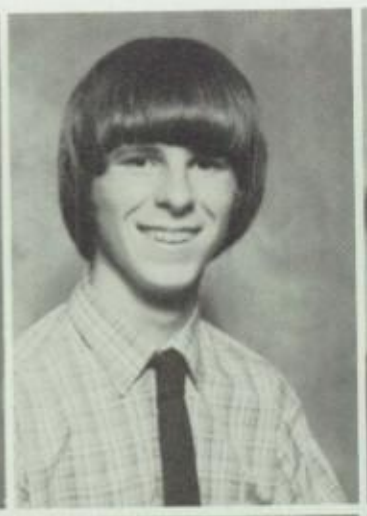
Richard adores Dole bananas.

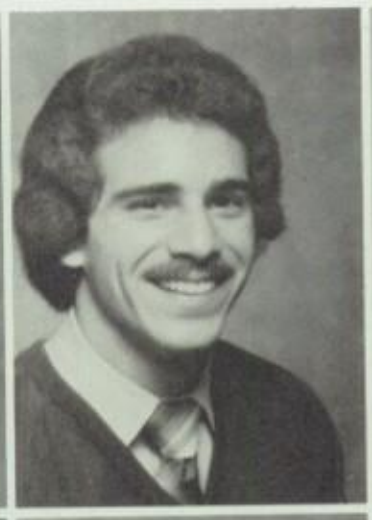
Jill Dunkelberger takes time-out from picture taking to be in one.

Rick Matson

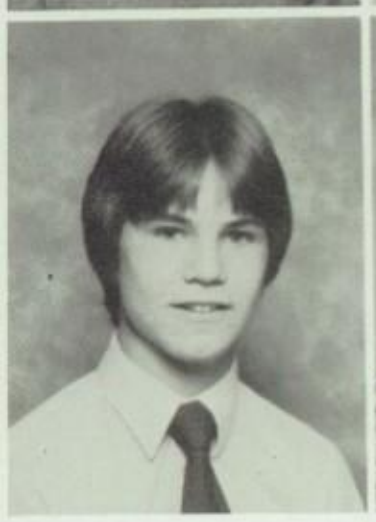
Kris Morgan

Sam Patton





Andrea Rigsby
Joe Robinson
Greg Sharp
Lisa Shreve



John Redmond
Mark Thomas
Kim Vokoun
Richard Warren

just call me
"Erik the Red"

Officers Set The Pace

Brenda Enns, Reni Benningfield, Karen Dee, Tim Hodge

The senior class officers, doubling as the school officers, strived to see our school come to the peak of quality by the end of the year. Tim Hodge, president, with the help of the vice-president, Karen Dee; treasurer, Brenda Enns; and secretary, Reni Benningfield set a precedent for years to come. They were followers of the Holy Spirit and doers of the Word. Tim felt that unity was the key to Sheridan's success; for, "a house divided against itself cannot stand!"

John Redmond, Kelly Carlson, Kim Vokoun, David Martinez

One goal of the junior class officers was to see the school come together in unity like a family. John Redmond, president; David Martinez, vice-president; Kelly Carlson, treasurer; and Kim Vokoun, secretary were always willing to accept input from the students to help Sheridan become a model school.

Jesus Directs My Life

Rebecca Ann Barnes

Getting settled in SCS Becky found that all feelings of reluctancy to move from her high school in Carbondale, IL had faded. In fact, she declared, "It's (Sheridan Christian School) the best school I have ever been in and believe me, I've been in many schools!"

Becky has spent volunteer time working with the sixth grade class. Shortly after her birthday last January 25, Becky made a positive statement of faith accepting Jesus as Lord of her life. She has chosen Prov. 3:5,6 as a directive for her life: "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."

Lord, Make Me A Vessel

Bible is her hand, face aglow, Reni would glide into her V.B.I. class each morning, eager to be taught. She has offered herself as a willing vessel. Prophecy spoken to her revealed a spiritual gift of a ministry to the lost, and of healing.

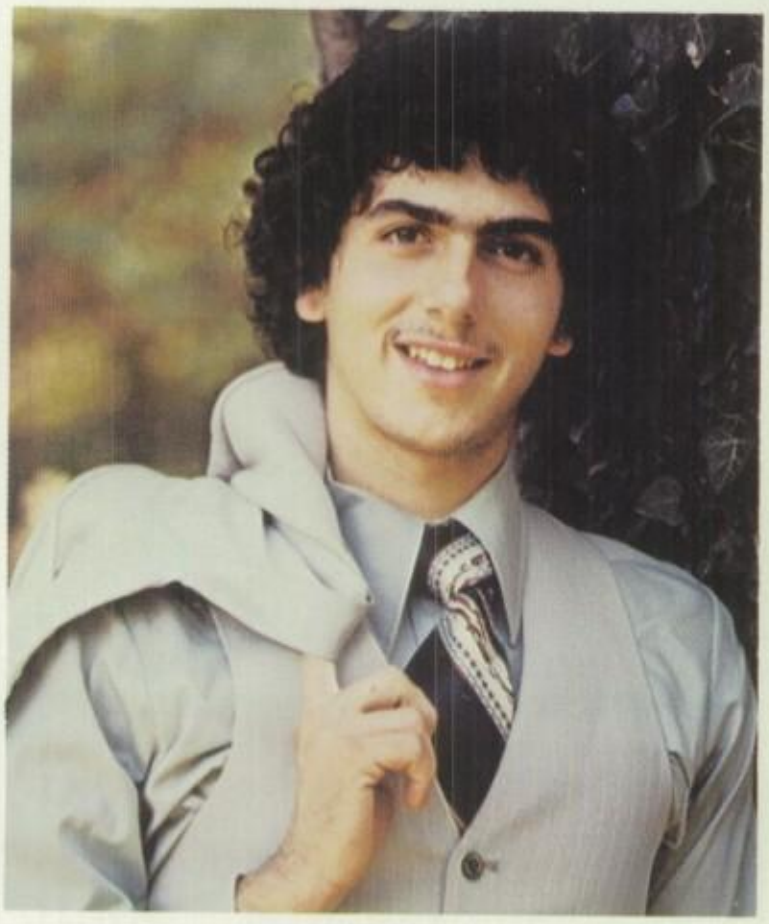
Various activities have beckoned Reni. She was a full-time VBI student, and flag football statistician, SCS senior class secretary and advertising editor for the **VISION.**

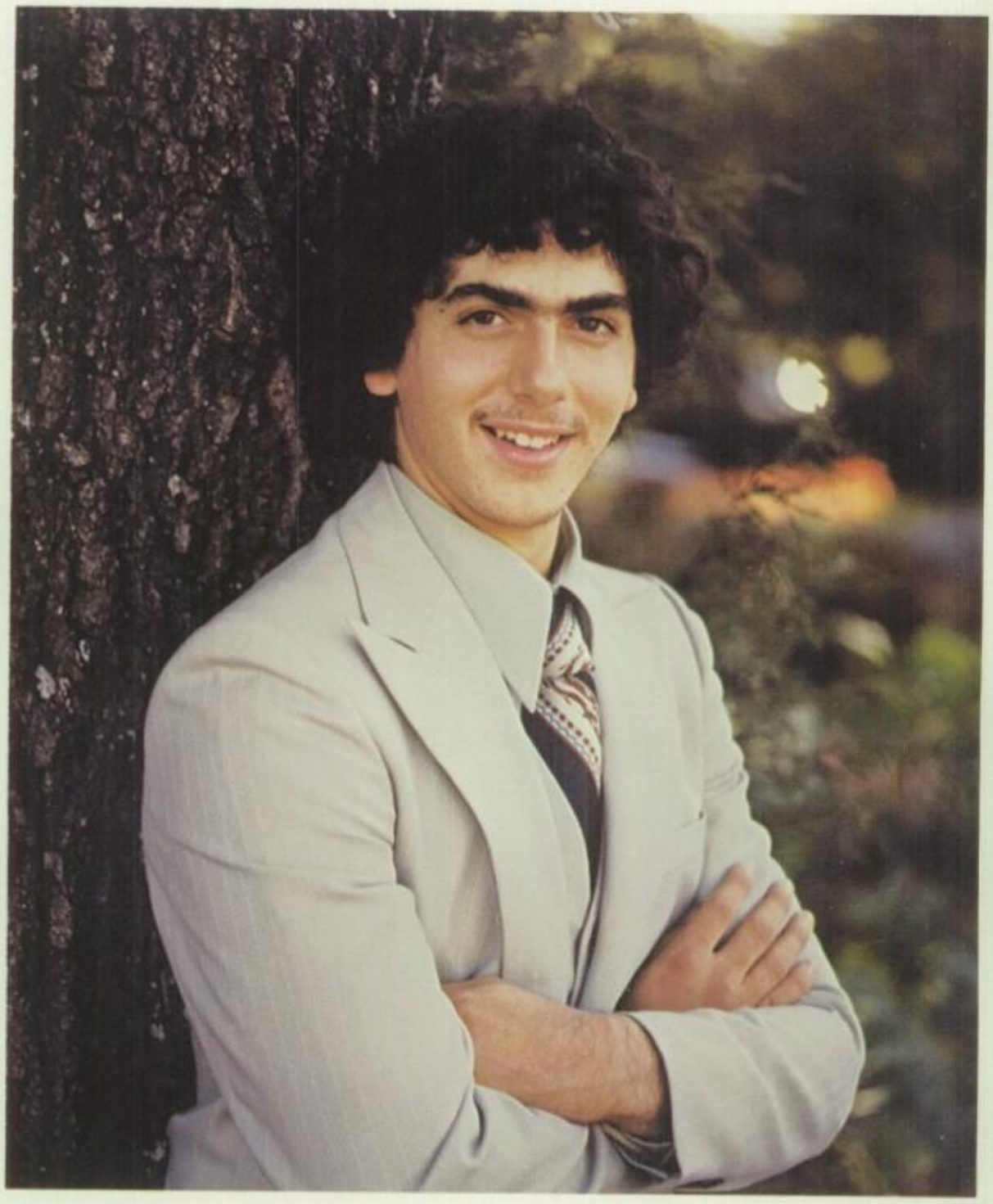
Her beautiful voice could be heard in the special high school ensemble group and as a soloist. Not only has she been active in fall sports, but she played softball and volleyball.

Curled up, often in her most comfortable chair, Reni isolated herself, to read — to read especially the Word. She focused upon Matthew 16:18, ". . . and upon this rock I will build my church . . ." her eyelids closed, and she continued to entreat, "Lord, make me a vessel."

Renise Benningfield

He's A Stout-Hearted Letterman





Peter Angelo D'Alessandro

"Dal-a who?" asked all the students and teachers the first week of school. Imagine, this stout-hearted, curly-haired, Italian letterman left his championship team to enter a Christian high school for his senior year.

It was close to his seventeenth birthday on August 12 that Peter sat in Mr. Booth's office and discussed enrolling as a student at SCS. Learning that varsity sports included wrestling, challenged him.

Peter has dedicated this year to the Lord; to learn more of His Word and to grow to become the man God wants him to be. When asked why he came to SCS, he said, "The Lord told me to."

His future plans are not complete, but he might continue a second year at VBI or enroll for a two-year course at Rhema Bible Training Center.

Karen Lynne Dee

Music Comes From The Heart

"Neglect not the gift", (I Timothy 4:14) has been the challenge Karen Dee took for her life. Born March 11, 1963 in Tulsa, she has planned to stay in town to attend ORU majoring in music. Karen plays instruments such as: the flute, sax, drums and guitar and hopes to use these talents in a traveling music ministry. She is also involved in a high school youth ensemble which is now traveling different places, fulfilling a prophecy given two years ago.

As vice-president of the senior class, Karen has had a busy schedule which includes softball, volleyball and working as layout editor to the **Vision.**

"Let your life so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify God." (Matt. 5:16). Karen's goal has been set in this direction. Counseling with people, especially the youth, has been a part of Karen's life.

The Lord Is My Shepherd

Linda Kaye Drechsler

Just fifteen days before Christmas, Linda celebrated her nineteenth birthday. When she was five, she accepted Jesus as her Savior. SCC became her home church and SCS her school.

Linda sings with confidence in the "One Accord" youth choir of SCC. Having been accepted at Oral Roberts University, Linda will enter the field of dentistry.

The Imperials won rating on Linda's list of music groups. "They're so Word-oriented, you can be blessed listening to one of their albums," she says. The Twenty-Seventh Psalm has become one of her favorite scriptures.

Her favorite sport has been water and snow skiing. She has liked the outdoors, and in her spare time walking or jogging. "I enjoy being with people, but I like to be alone, too; I like time to myself."

Her classes this year included Bible, Accounting I, music, theory, Spanish II, and she served as a teacher's aid for Mrs. Schluter's math class. She has been convinced, "It is great to be among the first graduating class of SCS." Being at SCS has helped Linda to see that she has a call to minister His Word.

Brenda Darlene Enns

Jesus Is My Song

Canada's loss has been our gain. Brenda has smiled herself into the hearts of all the SCS family.

Her strong soprano voice has blended into the Senior Ensemble. She was assistant copy editor of the **Vision,** and treasurer of the senior class.

Throughout the year, Brenda enjoyed reading and cooking — especially gormet cooking — and talked of learning to fly.

Brenda was true to her committment that with God's help, her senior year would be the best. This year has been a period of preparation for her future fulltime ministry in singing. She drew strength from Philippians 4:6 and re-affirmed, "I know I don't have to worry about anything, and that God will answer all my requests, and my way will be prosperous."

Sheila Speaks Silently

As an outstanding student in the art-elective class, Sheila's pencil sketches have received much recognition. After attending Tulsa Central for two years, she transferred to Sheridan Christian School in order to be taught in the Word as well as academically.

A descendant of the Cherokee Indian tribe, Sheila enjoyed many crafts, among which were latch-hooking dolls, wall hangings, and rugs. That slight dimple in her cheek has greatly enriched her smile; a smile that comes from a heart full of love. Her birth certificate records that she was born April 8, 1963, but she says she was "born again" four years later.

As soon as Sheridan Christian Center's television ministry is ready to begin, Sheila had an express desire to be the person in the corner of the screen, silently speaking with her hands a new language — Dactylology.

Sheila Marie Hail

A Smile Is My Style

Sharmayne Yvonne Hall

Sharmayne's radiant smile is a reflection of the joy in her heart. Her favorite scripture is I Timothy 4:12, "Let no man despise thy youth." Incidentally, she, born May 2, 1964, in Hollywood, Ca. is one of the youngest graduates of the class of 1981.

Her senior year has been enriched by her involvement as secretary-treasurer of the varsity cheerleading squad and the opportunity to display her expertise as a yearbook photographer. Immediately following graduation she will enroll in VBI. In the fall of 1982 she plans to enter ORU majoring in business and minoring in physical education.

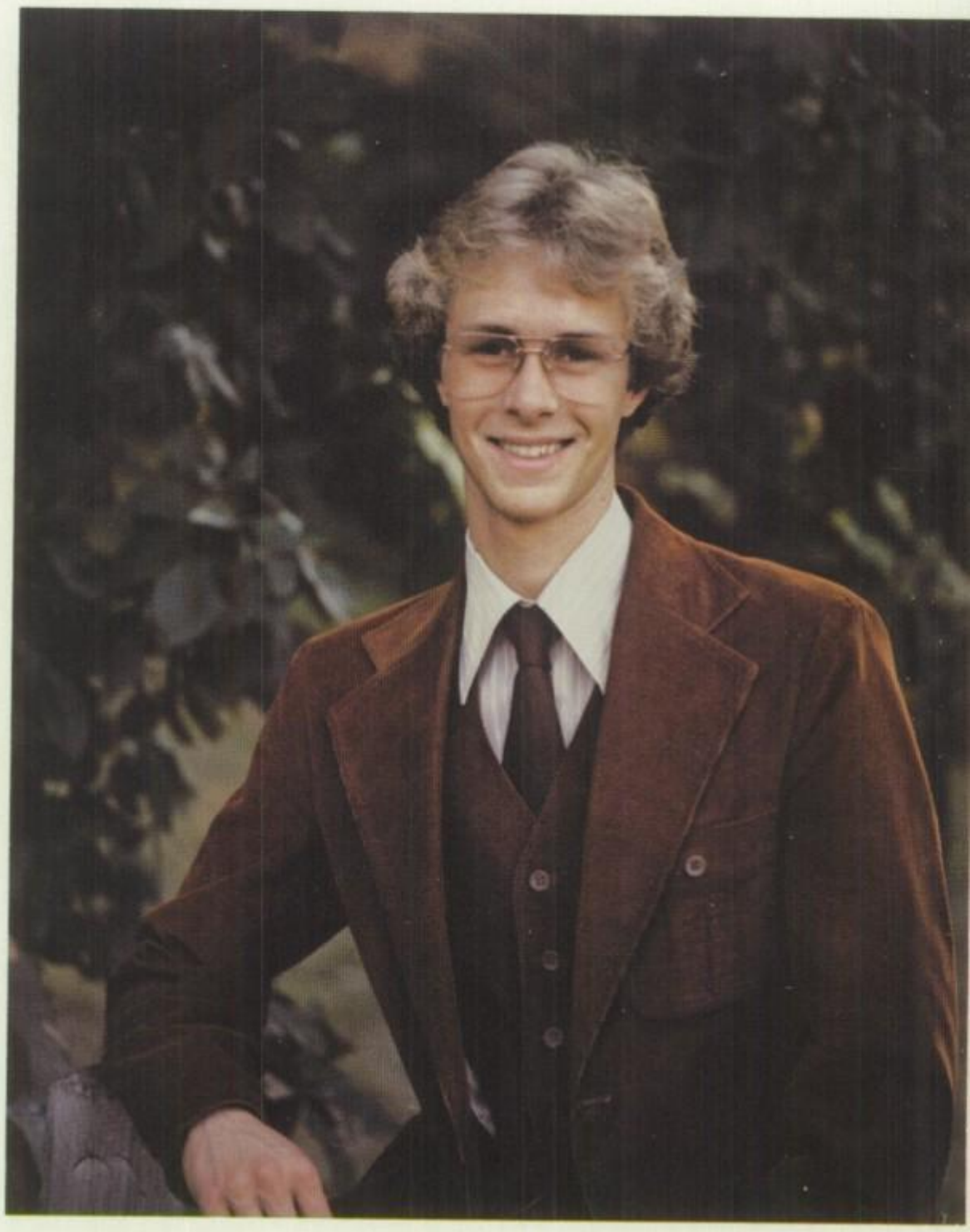
I'm Not Mr. Rodgers

"It's a beautiful day in the neighborhood," sang Bobby as he tied his spotless white Nikes before attiring himself in his blue and gold jersey.

Even though he was born on April Fool's day in Kalamazoo, Michigan, Bobby actually stated, "I'm from Nashville, Tennessee, and that's where I belong!"

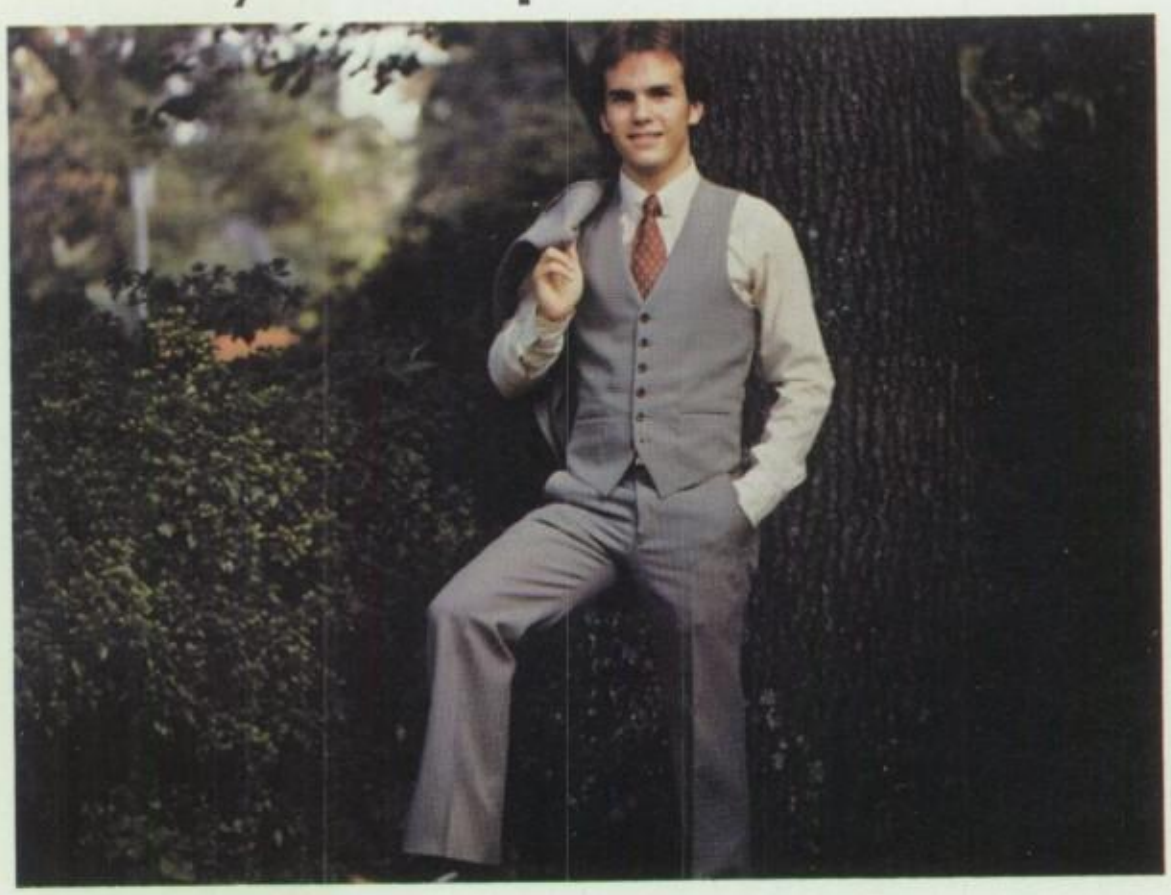
With the camera in his hand and the strap around his neck, Bobby met photo assignments as a real "shutterbug". Squeegee in his hand and a smile all over his face, our dignified senior sought employment as a part-time window washer.

Bobby is convinced that his choice to leave Lord's Chapel in Nashville, and come to S.C.S. was directed by the Lord. Whatever he did, he decided to do it heartily as unto the Lord.



Robert Clayton Heath

Animators Are Funny People



Timotheus is a tradition of animation, humorous illustrations, acting and puppeteering. Making animated cartoons has become the main ambition for Timothy Aaron Hodge.

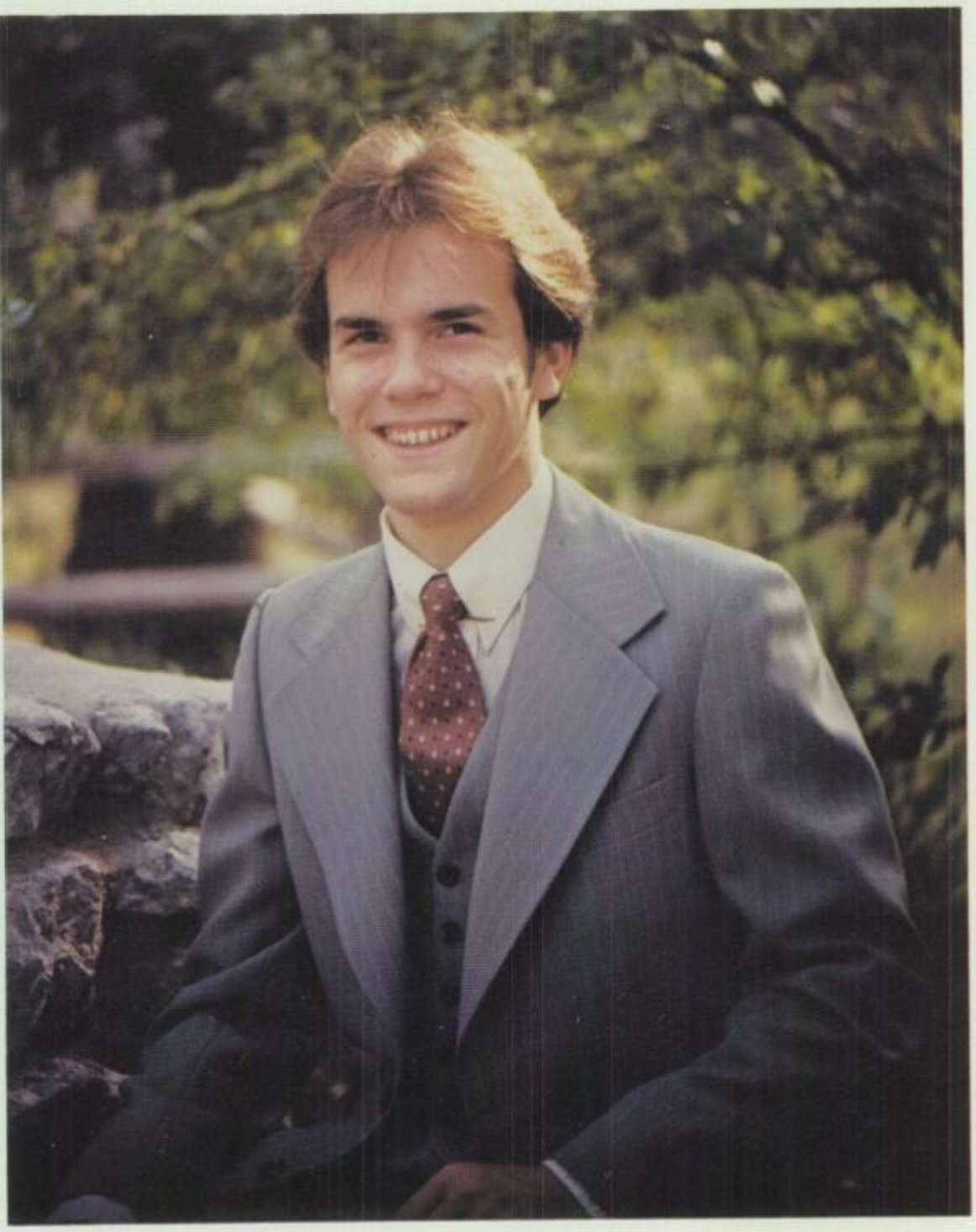
A unique cartoon character, created for his campaign poster, "The Conqueror" has become the SCS mascot. Tim was elected president of SCS's first senior class and student council. Tim has entertained groups throughout the year. His artistic ability allowed him to serve as art editor for **Vision,** carve pumpkins for the October Rock-a-thon, produce humorous illustrations for brochures, and assist Mr. Parker's fifth grade class as a student aid in art training.

Born on a mountain-top in Boaz, Alabama, April 2, 1963, Tim began life in the South. He was reared mostly in Bristol, Tennessee, but has lived throughout the eastern United States. Much spice has been added to Tim's past — a taste of New York, a bite of the Texas type atmosphere and a major morsel of Tulsa.

His adventurous nature has been demonstrated by his success in riding his unicycle, juggling acts, playing his harmonica, picking his banjo and, strumming his uke.

Tim has made plans to "stay put" in Tulsa, attend ORU and begin producing influencial movies, both animated, and live action, as a way to combine quality entertainment and the teaching of the Word of God.

Tim has made reading the Bible the most important part of his daily life. He has enjoyed reading the books of Timothy, but his favorite passage is the Sermon on the Mount. "After you know how to be saved," Tim explained, "it teaches you how to be a Christian. But the scripture that has ministered to me the most is Ephesians 1:2 — "Grace be to you, and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ."



Timothy Aaron Hodge

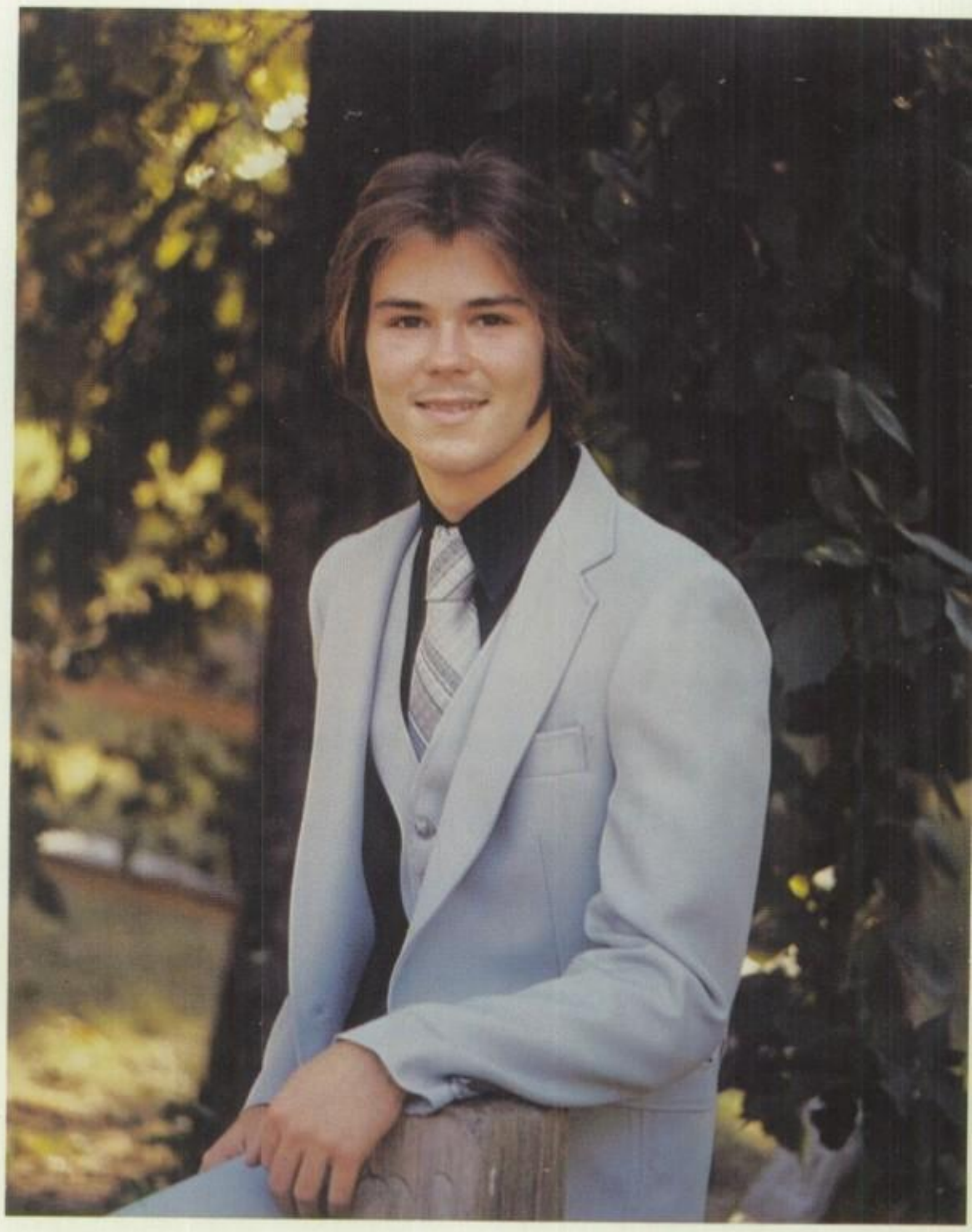
Let No Man Despise His Youth

The organizing of Sheridan Christian School caused Larry to make the decision to be counted as a part of the first graduating class here at SCS.

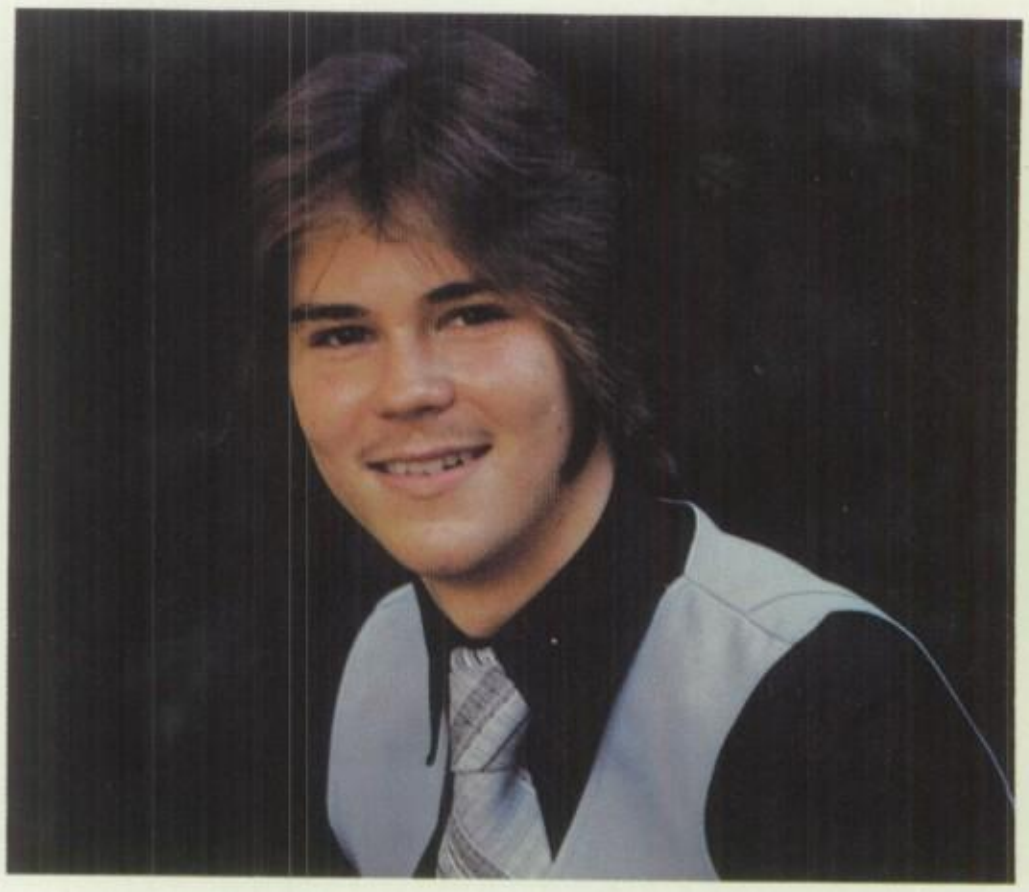
In addition to varsity baseball, Larry was a starter in basketball. Since May, he has been taking flying lessons, and soloed shortly before his birthday, Aug. 9. He now has his student's pilot license.

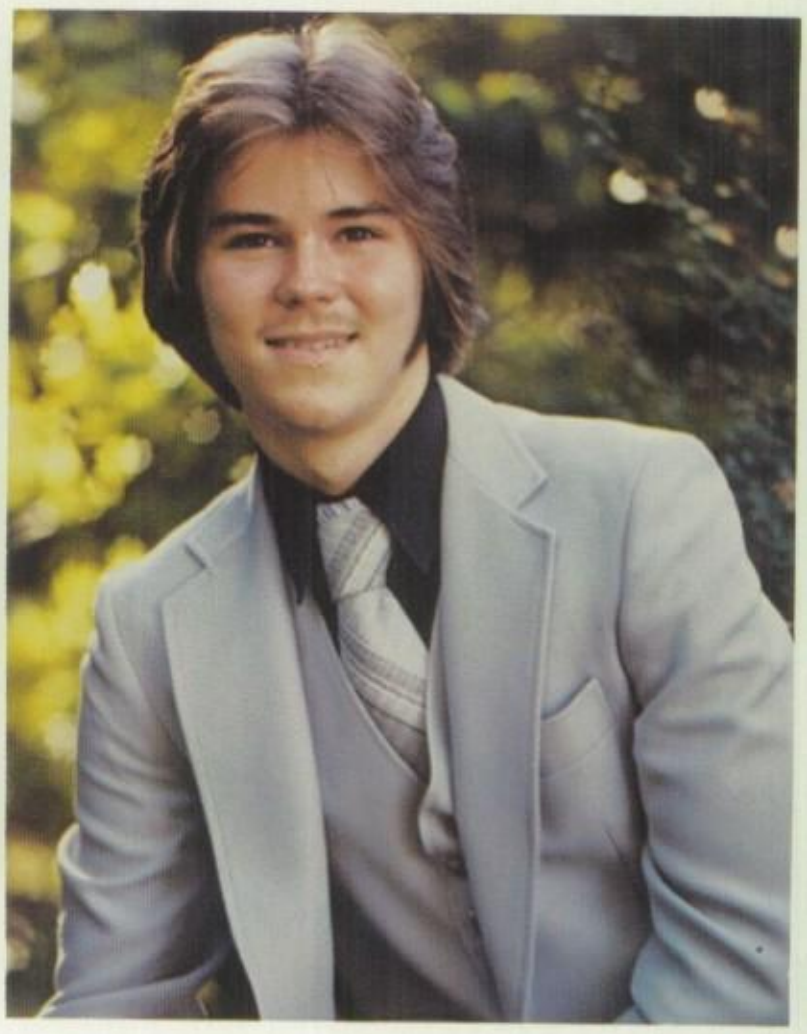
After graduation, he will be gaining practical experience as an evangelist and missionary. Larry became a full-time VBI student this year, while he was attending SCS, after which he plans to attend Bible College.

I Timothy 4:12 "Let no man despise thy youth . . ." has been a special scripture to him. Realizing his youth, Larry affirmed, "I want to be used while I'm young, even now, so that, by the time I am twenty-five or thirty, the Lord's plan for my life will be fully visible."



Larry Leon Lievsay





"Wann Schon, Dann Schon." What Must Be, Must Be.

Steven Curtis Neimeister

Keine Vorstellung! "No comment," replied Steve when asked about girls.

His real interest has been to put American responsibility back into the government. "I believe this would solve many of our problems, today," assured Neimeister.

In an effort to trace his German ancestry, Steve has set a goal to return to Germany and scan the Bavarian archives in Munich for the records of the village of Anterwolfstein, Bavaria. Because of his fluency in the German language, he would suffer no culture shock in this venture.

Even though Steve is our youngest graduate, he has completed math courses through differential calculus. Steve will celebrate his seventeenth birthday, Sept. 21, 1981, as a freshman at ORU, preparing for a major in a technical field.

Laughter Is My Hobby

A comedienne, laughter is her hobby.

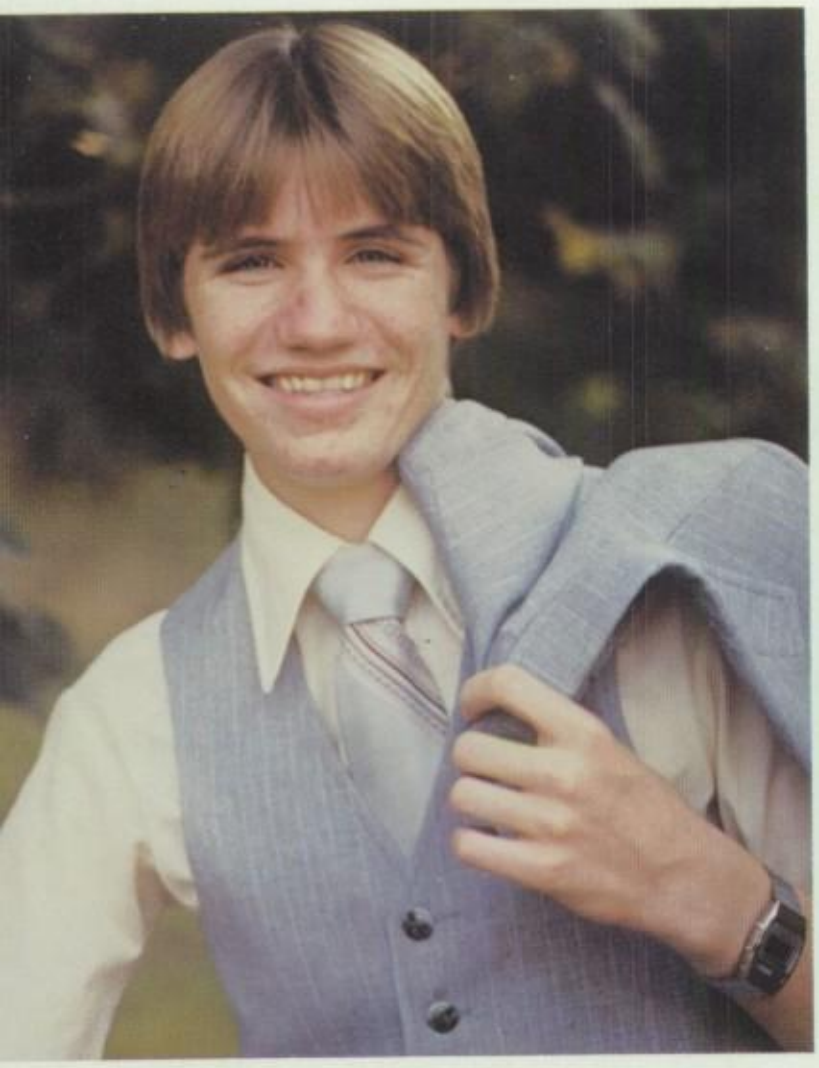
Darla Gail Pitts was born on Oct. 31, 1963, in Norman, Oklahoma.

All sports receive Darla's attention, but water skiing, riding horses, and making people laugh are her favorites. Darla has kept busy through the year by being involved with VBI, softball teams, the school newspaper, and just being a student. Even though her schedule has always been full, putting the Lord first was her main priority.

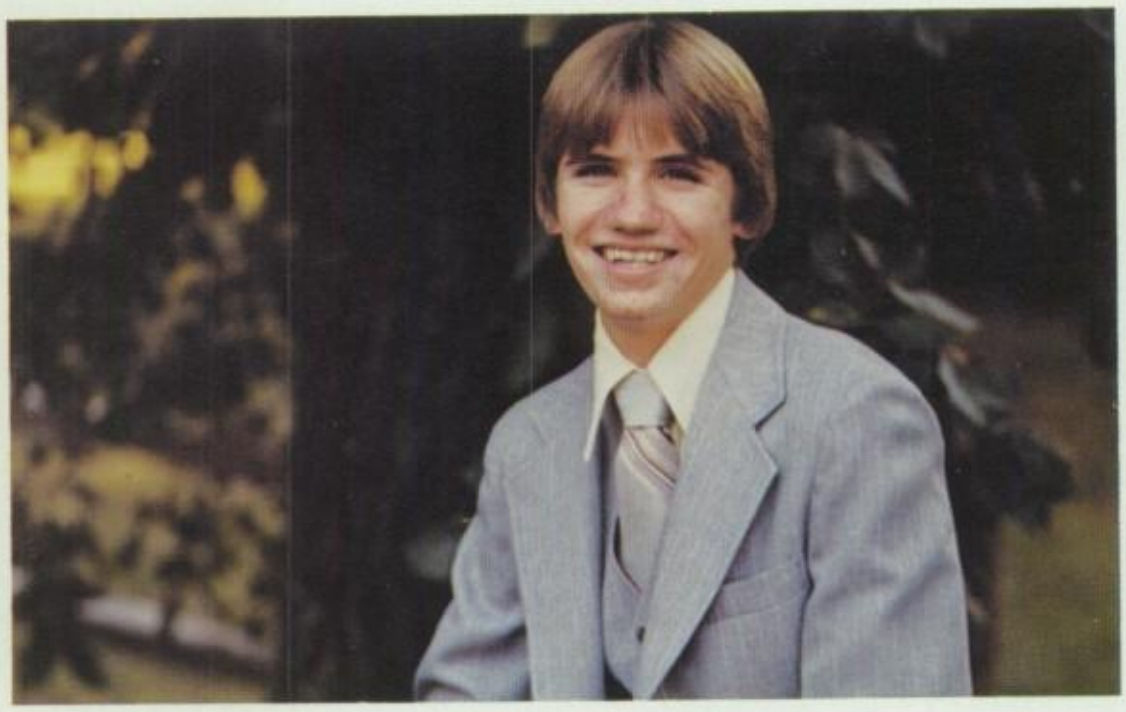
Her plans after graduation are to attend a school for teaching and helping disabled children, both in homes and hospitals. Darla's ministry is constantly being fulfilled by working with the Sheridan Tapes.

Heb. 4:12 is one of Darla's favorite passages in the Bible. "Because it makes me realize how much power the Word of God has in it, and that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom," smiled Darla. Becoming completely serious, she also stated, "Psalm 19:14 is what I want to pattern my life after, because I want to know that all I say and do will please the Lord, for He is my strength and my redeemer."

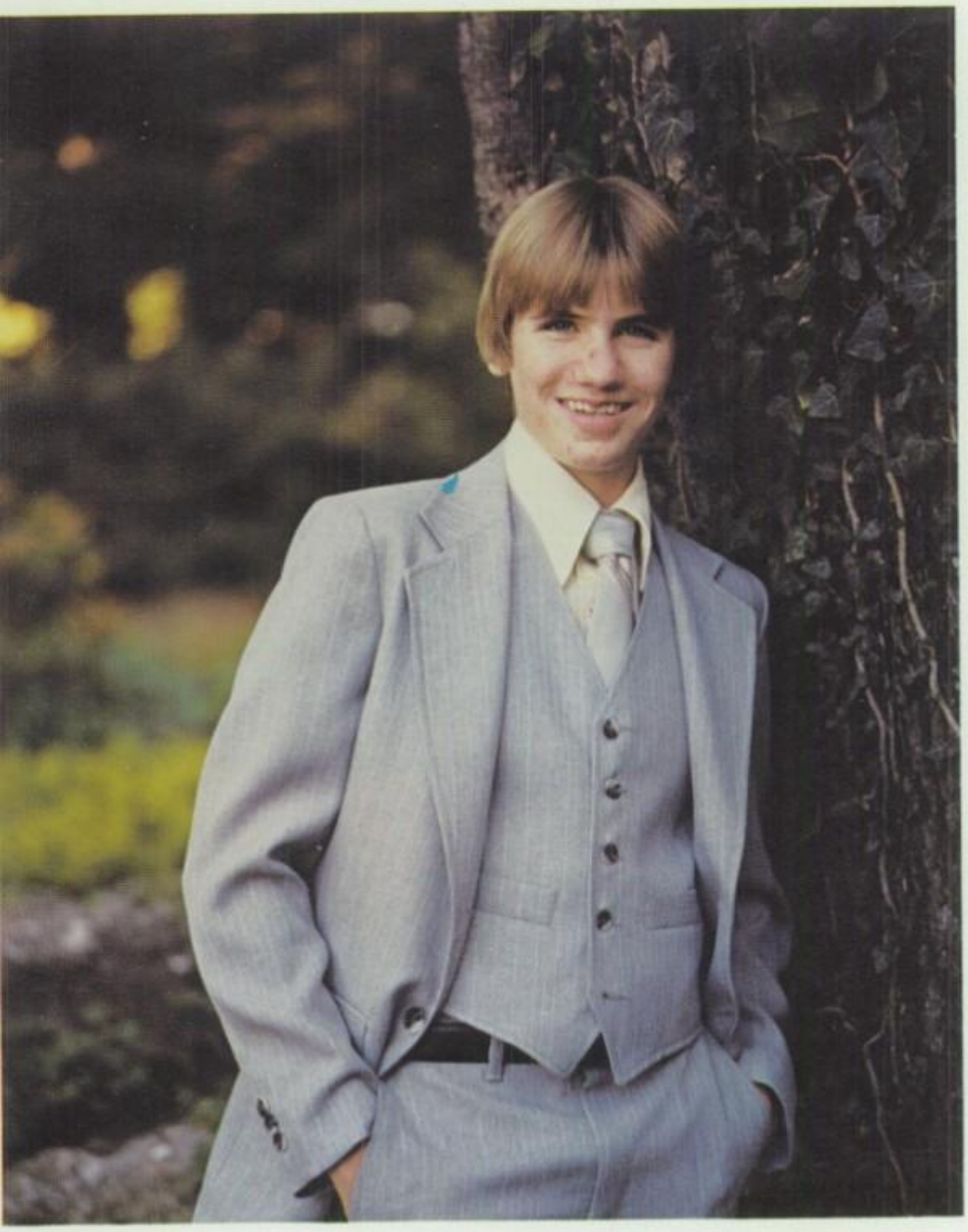
Darla Gail Pitts



God Supplies My Needs



Thomas Eric Sawyer



Four years ago, while visiting his dad, Tom became a Christian. "After dinner when my dad and I were talking, he told me how to accept Christ and I accepted Him. It felt like a ton was lifted off my shoulders." His favorite scripture is Luke 6:38, "Give and it shall be given unto you, good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over shall men give unto your bosom."

Tom served as the photography editor for "The Inspiration". He has busied himself with camping, fishing and hunting, as well as rock and mineral collecting.

After graduation and Tom's eighteenth birthday, May 26, his family will make a missionary trip to the Philippines.

Tom said, "In my opinion, this is the best school in the world. I enjoy it and the teachers, students and I share the vision of the school."

Senior Days Speed Away

"I can't believe how fast high school has gone. Being a senior is exciting," commented Christi, seventeen. "There are benefits to being a senior — last year of high school, senior pictures, senior trip. But it's challenging in that next year I'll be going into the 'big world'."

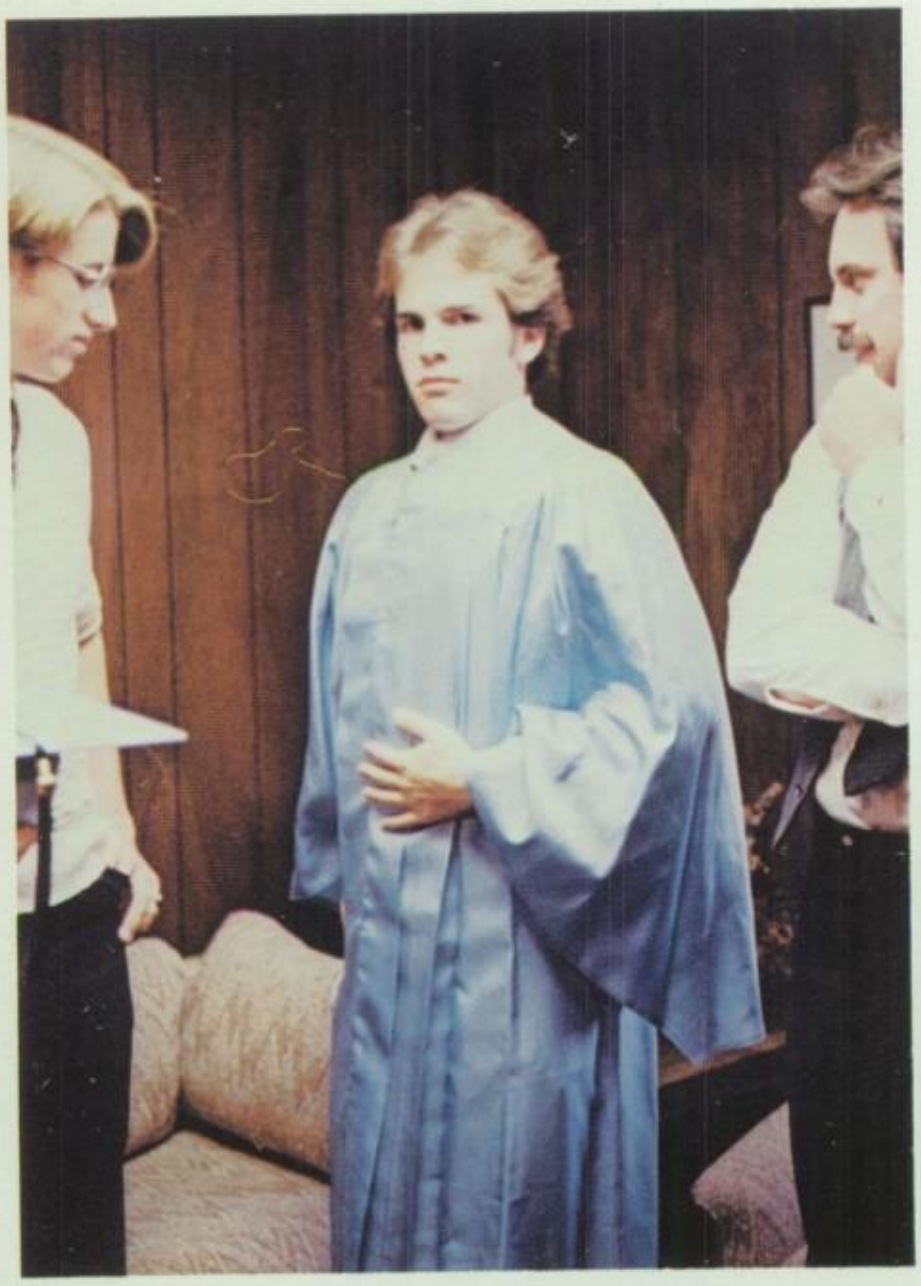
Born in Phoenix, AZ, on July 27, 1963, Christi plans to return there to attend Glyndale Community College, majoring in business.

Christi accepted Jesus at the age of nine. "The Lord has done so much for me!" said Christi. "My family has been living totally by faith, and He supplies all of our needs. A favorite scripture for her was Mark 11:24, because "I can claim it for just about every need I have."

Christi enjoyed such sports as racquetball and softball. Extracurricular activities included being senior class editor for the **Vision** and being a teacher's aid for Mr. Halbrook in the science department. As a student, she was thankful that the Word is being taught daily.

Christine Ann Thompson

Tim Hodge strikes a regal pose in the Columbian blue.



Tradition Is In The Making

Sheila Hale, Steve Neimeister, and Tim Hodge inspect the detail work on the graduation robe as Mr. Booth gives his "unbiased" opinion.

The emotions of the moment overcome Reni.

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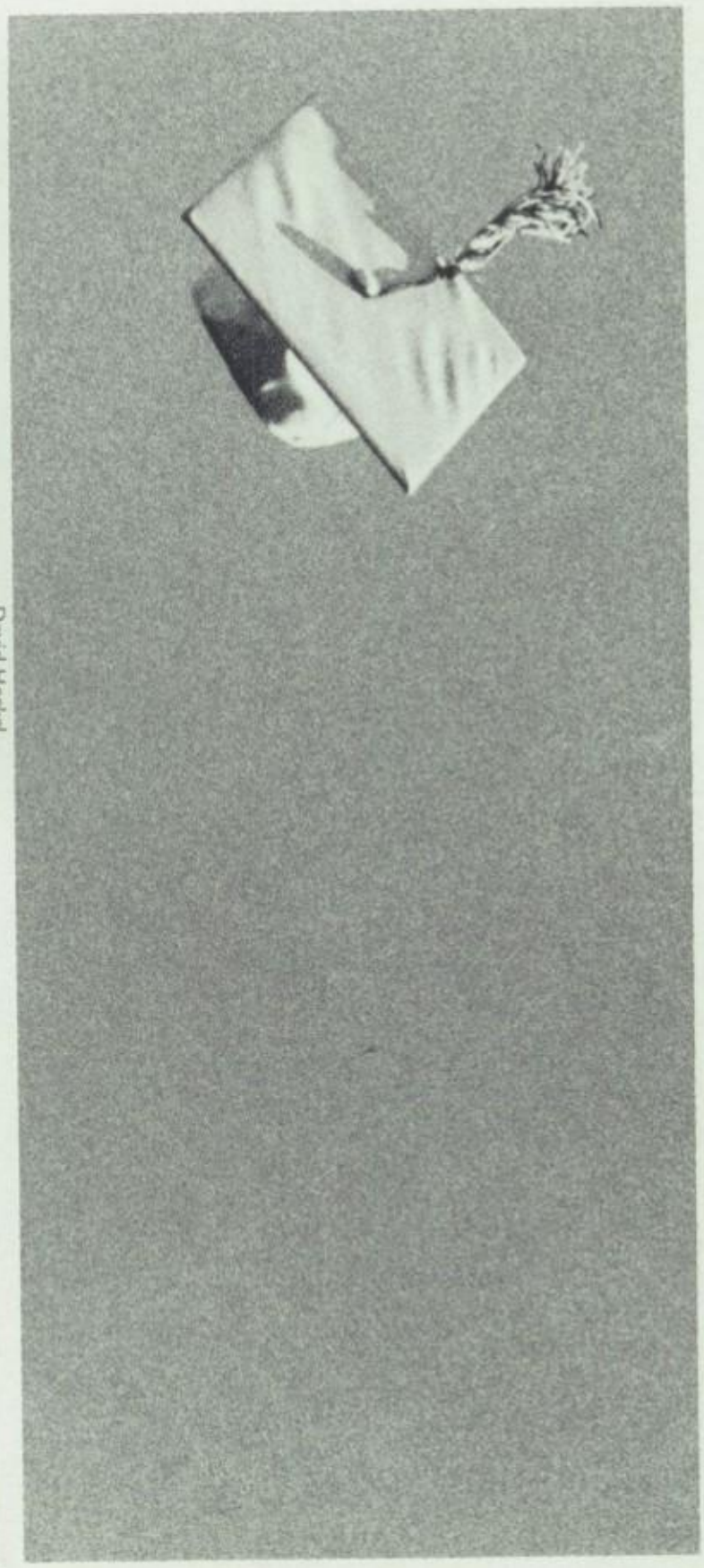

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Seniors Prepare For The Big Event

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Schoolmates since kindergarten, Karen and Linda select their dresses for graduation activities.

Eureka . . . We Have Found It!

Excitement swelled — juniors and seniors scurried, making plans for the long-awaited weekend in Eureka Springs, AR. Three vans, pulled up to the south entrance of SCS and were loaded with boxes of food and four or five guitars, which left just enough room to sandwich the students into the seats. After two and a half hours, one flat tire, rehearsal of many humorous skits, one great road-side frisbee game, and a hillside choir practice, the students jostled down the steep, winding hill to the "motel" Mount Air.

A gourmet, Senora Fisher prepares taste-tempting spaghetti for the group's dinner.

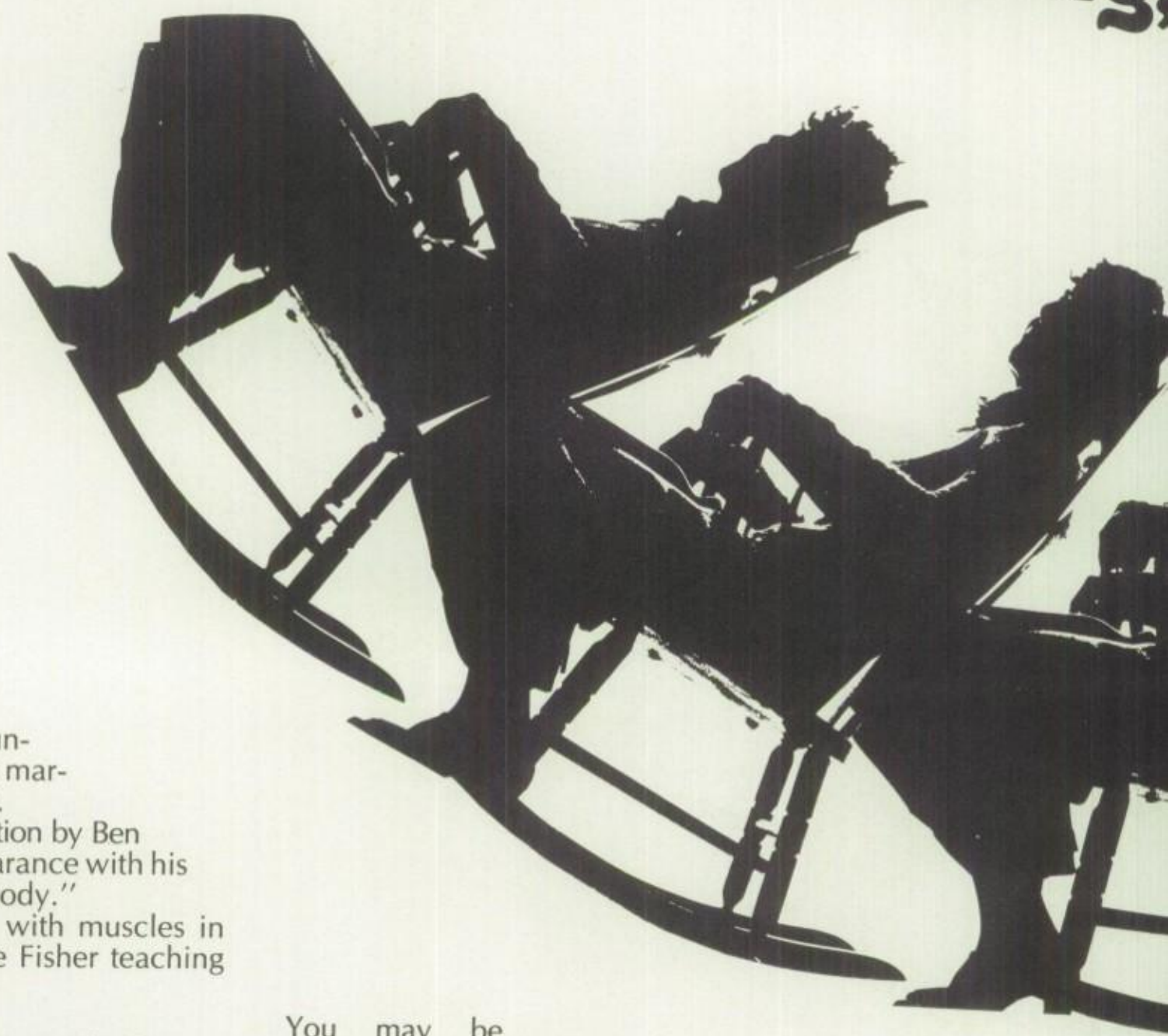
Steve Neimeister took a deep breath and smelled the mountains and trees. Tim Hodge joked, "There's a bite in the air." The group entered the century-old dwelling, which was to be their home for the weekend of Oct. 10-12. Lights were out at one-fifteen; but talking continued, laughter was spontaneous. Finally, around 3:00 everyone had settled into the new surroundings.

The cool, crisp morning air revealed a peaceful scene beheld from the back porch. The day that followed was full of excitement. An excursion through town revealed a busy little community of gift shops and unique restaurants.

They then gathered for a "pottery lesson," and learned how God can take a lump of clay and form it into a vessel, fit for the Master's use. That evening, as the sun sank below the horizon, the group assembled at the Mt. Oberammergau Amphitheatre, where the touching portrayal of the last week of Jesus' life, known as the Passion Play, was presented. Everyone was deeply moved by this vivid reenactment. Back at their weekend home, they gathered in an upper room for a quiet Communion service that was a beautiful reconciliation of spirits, with God and each other.

Ben Griffin, Bobby Heath, Richard Warren, David Martinez, and Tim Hodge are caught by the earthy, jasmine tea atmosphere of the Ozarks.

Rocking, Rocking,



Rocking around the clock was an experience the thirteen, tired seniors will long remember.
It started in a musical chair fashion since only nine rockers were provided to start the rock.
The All-Saint's party was running simultaneously with this marathon and chaos ran rampant.

Bob Dyligent, a characterization by Ben Griffin, made a surprise appearance with his hit song, "Gotta Serve Somebody."

"You may be Kyle Booth with muscles in your head, You may be Julie Fisher teaching Spanish for your bread,
(Chorus)

But you're gonna hafta serve somebody, yes, you are; you're ganna hafta serve somebody.

It may be the devil Or it may be Mark Turner.

But you're gonna hafta serve somebody.

You may be Larry Lievsay with sideburns to your chin

You may be Debbie Booth with a big ear to ear grin.

You may be Greg Kittinger with little baby feet,

You may be Terry Fisher drinking Perrier, thinking that you're neat!

(Repeat Chorus)

You may be Angie Hollingshead with her hair of flaming red,

You may be cool Rick Matson driving a Japa-

Rocking, Rocking

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nese Moped,
(Repeat
Chorus)
You may be Jill Dunkelberger, mispronounce your own name,
You may be Tim Hodge drawing cartoons for your fame."
(Repeat Chorus)
Cheers, laughter and rounds of applause followed. The bubbly group soon settled down. Shoes came off, pillows and blankets were brought out, seniors were beginning the vigil of R-O-C-K-I-N-G!

Falling asleep was considered a major offense, resulting in being "tumped" from our rockers by spying sponsors.

The sun went down . . . we were R-O-C-K-I-N-G . . . the sun came up . . . we were R-O-C-K-I-N-G! We continued, back and forth, R-O-C-K-I-N-G . . . what a Rock-A-Thon!

Ninth And Tenth Graders Organize Ideas

Greg Hittle, Lisa Chapman, Cheryl Miles, Terri Hudson

Sophomore class officers thought the most important part of a student government was to make improvements in the school while serving the students and the Lord.

Greg Hittle, class president, was willing to give all he had for the students throughout the year. He organized the ideas and desires of the sophomore class and also started a Bible study in the chapel during a study hall.

Cheryl Miles, vice-president, Lisa Chapman, treasurer, and Terri Hudson, secretary, worked together with Greg to make this year superb for the sophomores.

Being a freshman at SCS was a preferred position. After the week of campaigning with posters and speeches, the following were elected: David D'Allessandro, president; Julie Erlandson, vice-president; David Ingles, treasurer and Nanc'jo Shassberger, secretary. David has led the class spiritually, as well as academically.

They believed there was a spirit of unity within their class. Considerable progress was made in reaching the goals set forth by the whole class.

David Ingles, Nanc'jo Shassberger, Julie Erlandson, David D'Alessandro

Experience Begins In Middle School

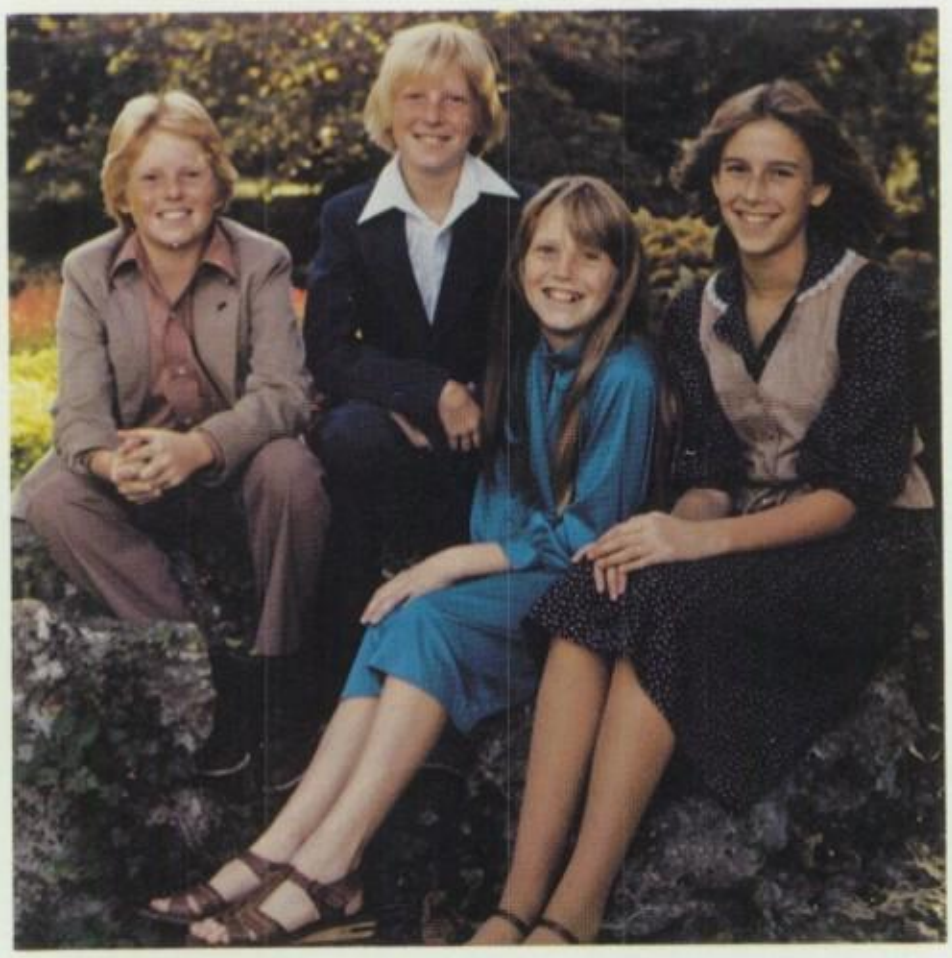
Marianne Neimeister, Lisa Larson, Janice Meier, Peter Redmond

B.J. Tilney, Roger Martinez, Derrick Turner, Mary Hodge

Student government began at the sixth grade. Scott Turner, president, worked with the students and other class officers: D.J. Enns, vice-president, Sarah Redmond, treasurer, and Danielle Cogan, secretary. They reached out to the people in need, and worked together to help the sixth grade have a tremendous year at SCS.

The seventh grade officers: Derek Turner, president, B.J. Tilney, vice-president, Roger Martinez, treasurer and Mary Hodge, secretary. Derek served the students and met their needs with the help of Christ.

The eight grade class officers felt their government was a good witness for Christ. They tried to be examples for the other students. Marianne Neimeister, president Lisa Larsen, vice-president, Peter Redmond, treasurer and Janice Meirer, secretary, felt by working hand-in-hand with God, they could accomplish much.

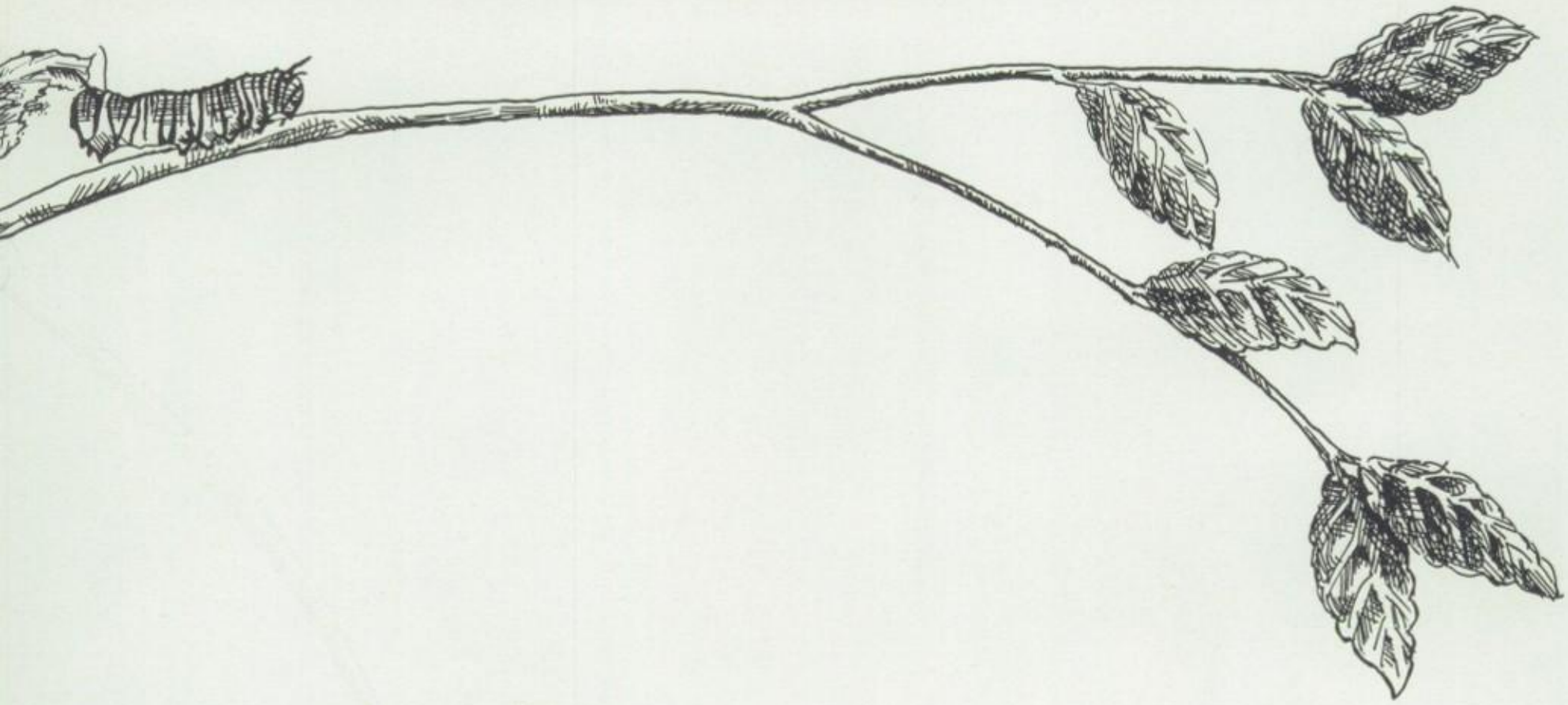


Scott Turner, D.J. Enns, Sarah Redmond, Daniele Cogan

FACULTY

The Substance Of Things Hoped For . . .

Although some alternate reason like finding a spiritual development was held for coming to SCS, the primary purpose was still for an academic excellence without compromise. A good education required developing both a disciplined life-style and mind. This discipline is also what was required to get a life in order.



Pastor Daugherty Speaks

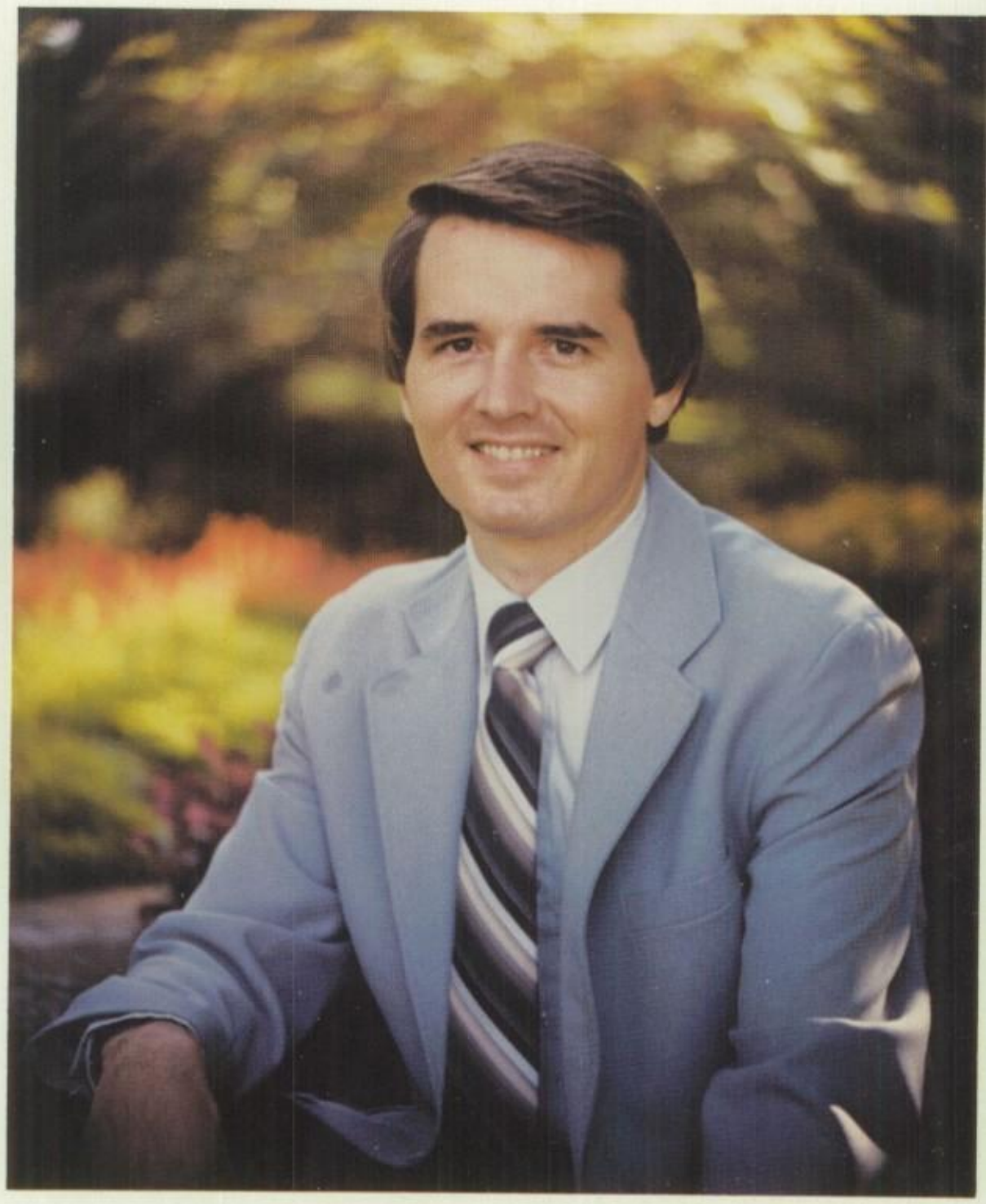
"Go ye . . . and preach the gospel to every creature." (Mark 16:15)

Jesus gave a commission to go tell the good news. We have no option. SCS has become a part of the fulfillment of that command. Our students will go into all the world, and proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ.

God gave the vision for SCC — a local church to influence the entire city of Tulsa, the state of Oklahoma . . . and ultimately the world. His Word admonished, "Ask of me, and I shall give the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." (Psalm 2:8)

The purpose of SCS has been stated in II Timothy 2:1 & 2; "Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that thou has heard among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also."

We are committed to training the students to share the message of God's redeeming grace. Only time will reveal the full impact of this unique approach to putting Jesus Christ first.



Pastor Billy Joe Daugherty

Ruth Anna, Mrs. Daugherty, Sarah, and Pastor Daugherty

We Must Catch The Vision!

Scott, Mrs. Turner, Derek, Mr. Turner, and Kristen.

Mark L. Turner, Director of SCS received his BS from Evangel College, Springfield, MO. After completing his graduate work at ORU in the School of Theology, he became involved in starting SCS, our Spirit-led school based on the uncompromised Word of God.

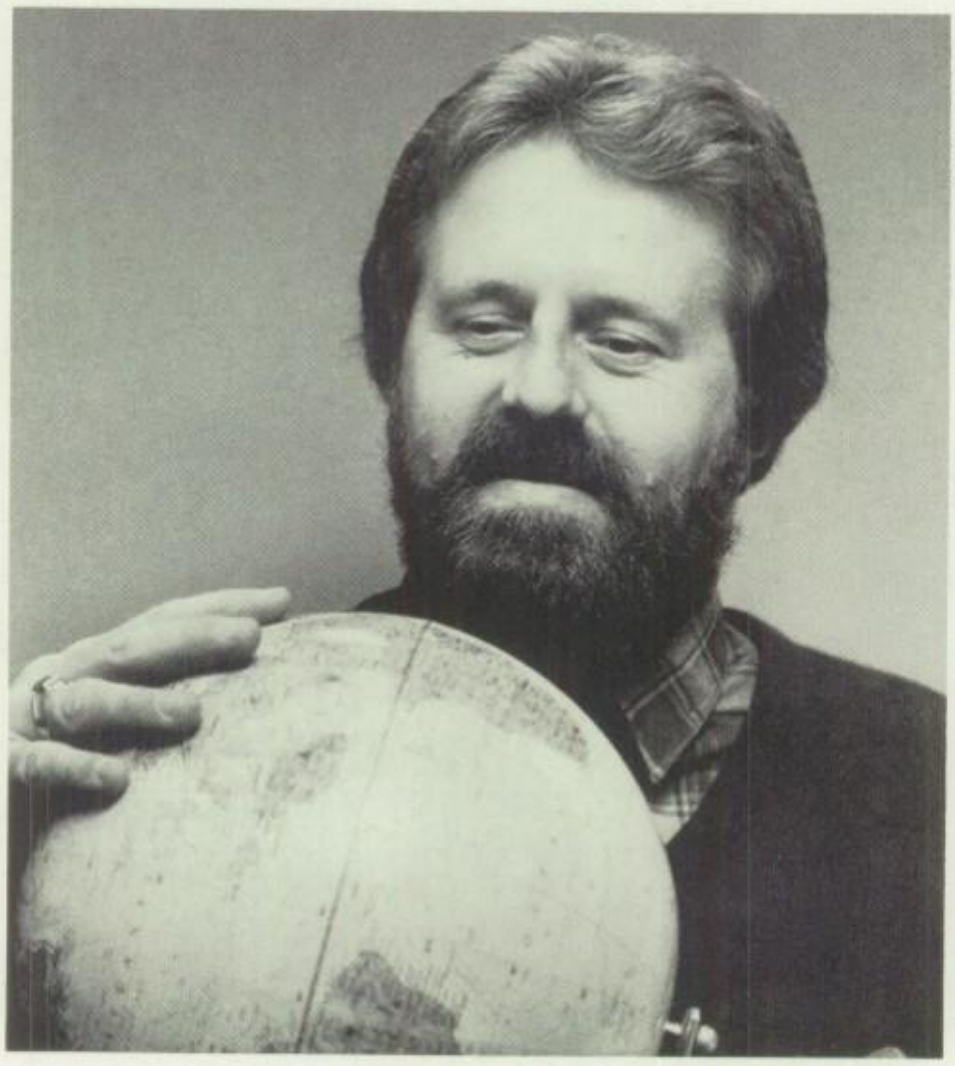
"We must catch the vision!" was spoken during teacher orientation and throughout the year. Students have become complete in mind, body and spirit. In order to effectively minister the love of God, students are taught to know who they are in Christ.

Highlighting his last two years have been trips to Guatamala, Central America in the interest of missions.

Mr. Turner continued to be led by one of his favorite scriptures from Proverbs 3:5-6, "Trust in the Lord with all thy heart; and lean not to thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths.

Mr. Mark L. Turner

Let's Peek Into Their World



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Go ye therefore into all the world.

David Heckel

Cloistered in his office, Mr. Turner works out the details of running the school.

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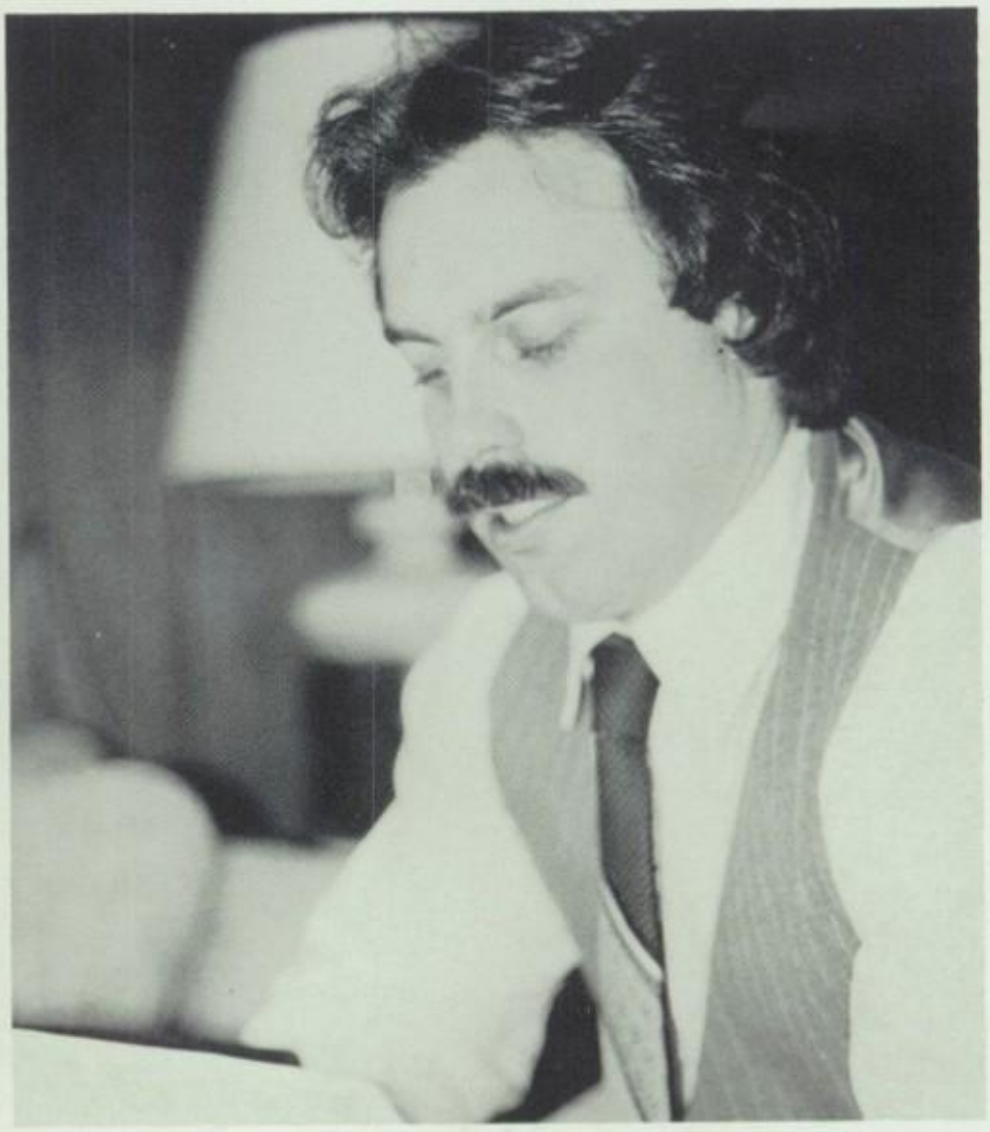
Pastor Bill Joe Daugherty listens intently as he receives the word from a colleague.

Hallelujah!

David Heckel

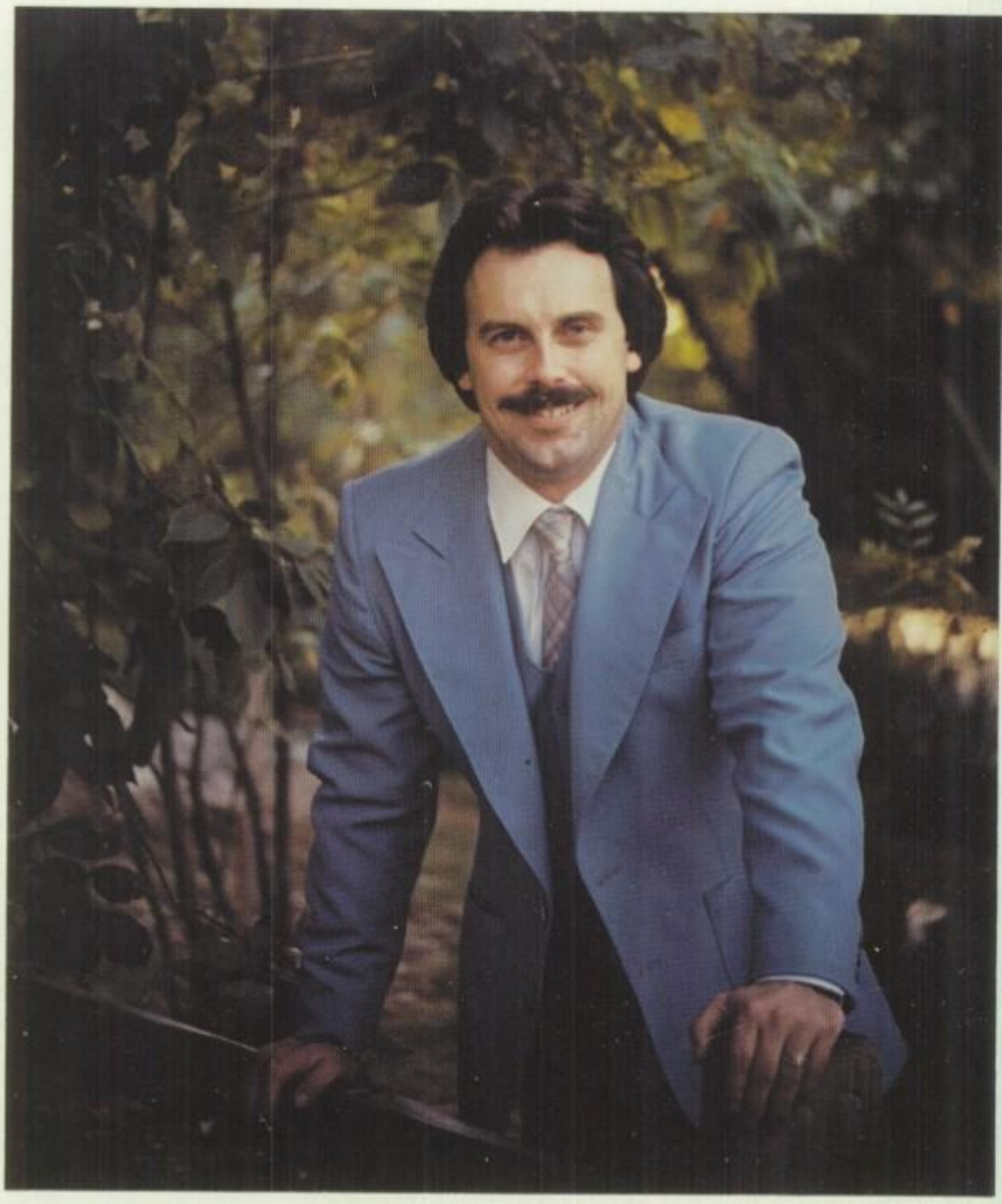


Mr. Booth takes a break to refresh himself with the Word.

'I Really Have A Love For Youth'

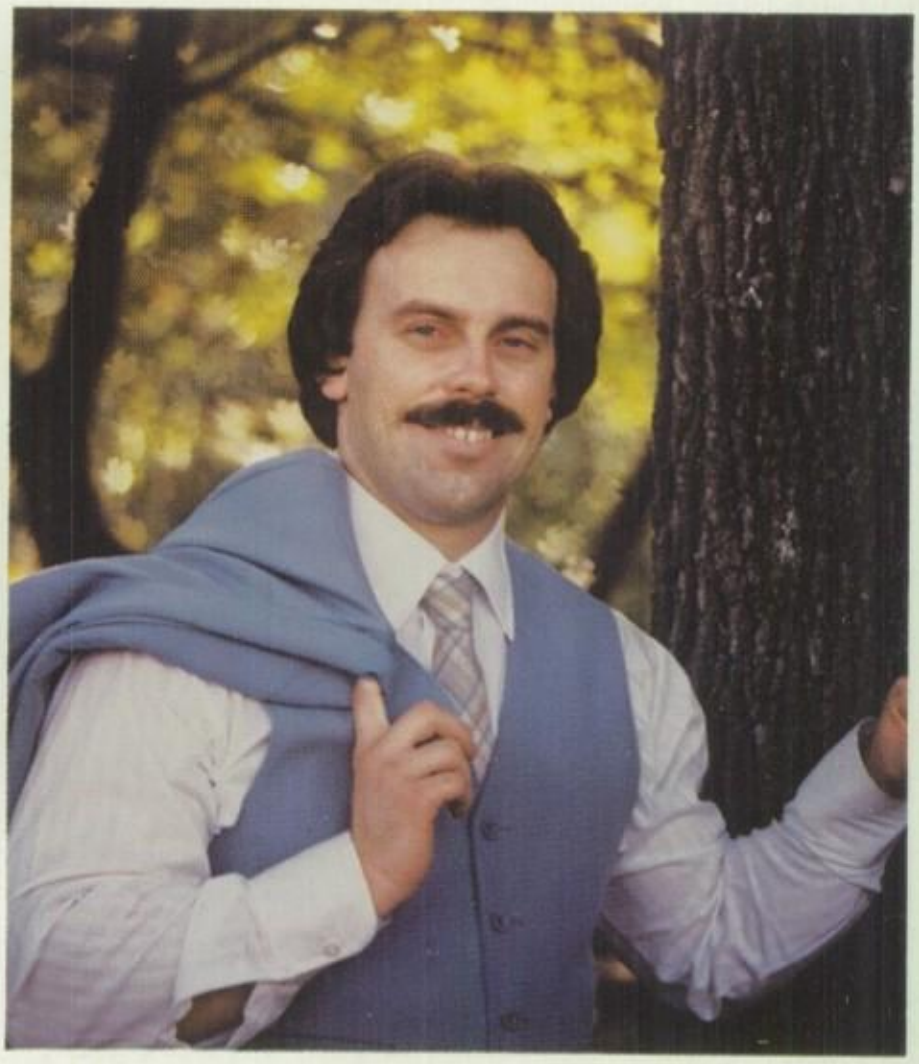
Mr. Booth graduated from ORU in 1978. He attended there for five years and specialized in social work and special education. Now working on his masters' at ORU, he has made plans to finish this summer with a degree in marriage and family counseling.

Mr. Booth shared "Working with youth, is great; when someone is there to encourage them, they will come closer to reaching their goals in life, and realize their full potential."



Mr. Kyle Eugene Booth

Mrs. Booth and Mr. Booth

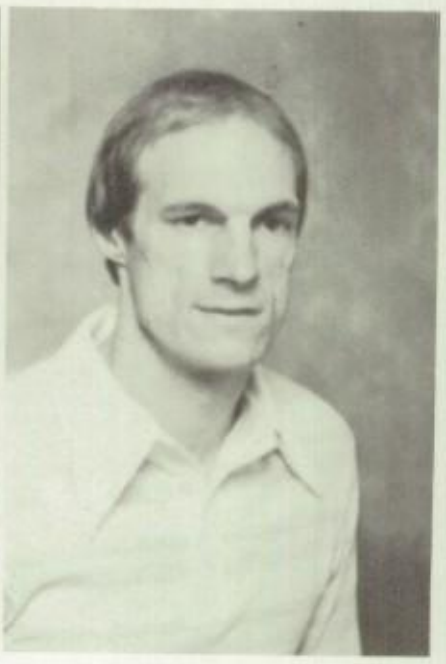


Praise Him With Stringed Instruments

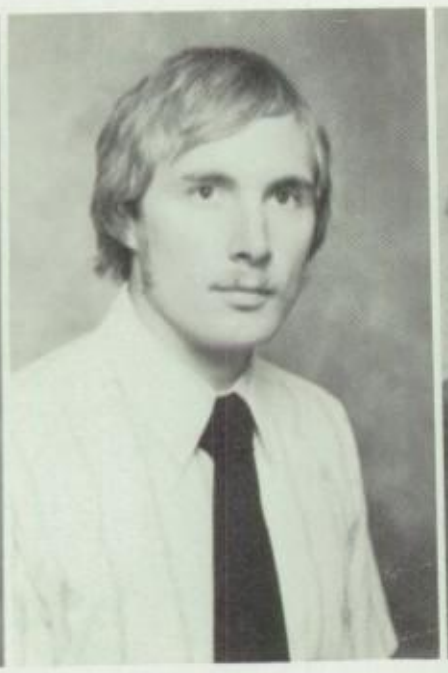
Mrs. Maynard puts Psalm 150 into action.

Susan Actkinson
Boyce Bishop
Margret Churchill

"Here's your pass," says Brenda Henshaw.



Kent DaVault
Patrice Deyling
Chuck Dodge

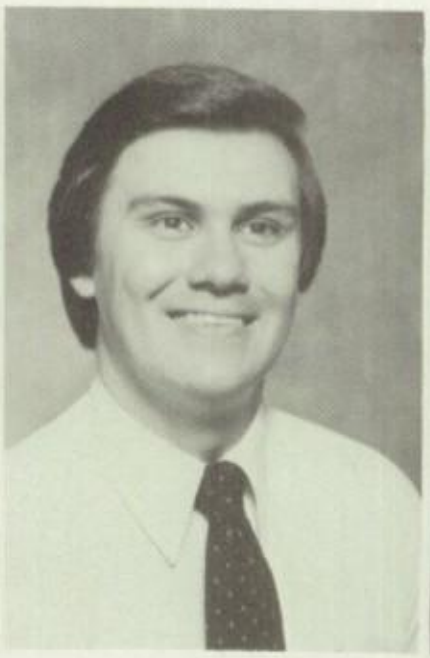


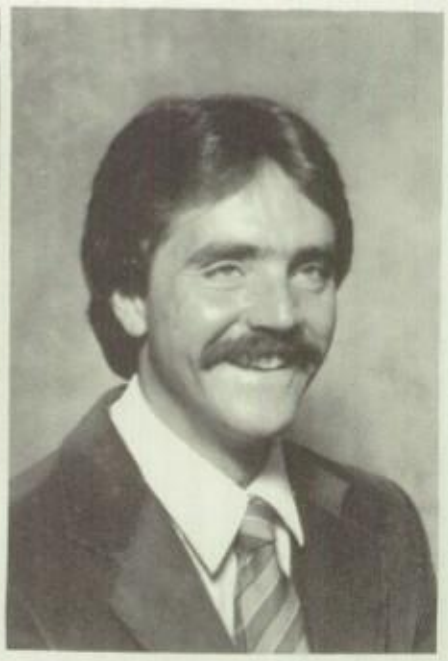
Judy Dodge
Scott Dodge
Carrie Ferrell

Staff Members Assume Many Roles

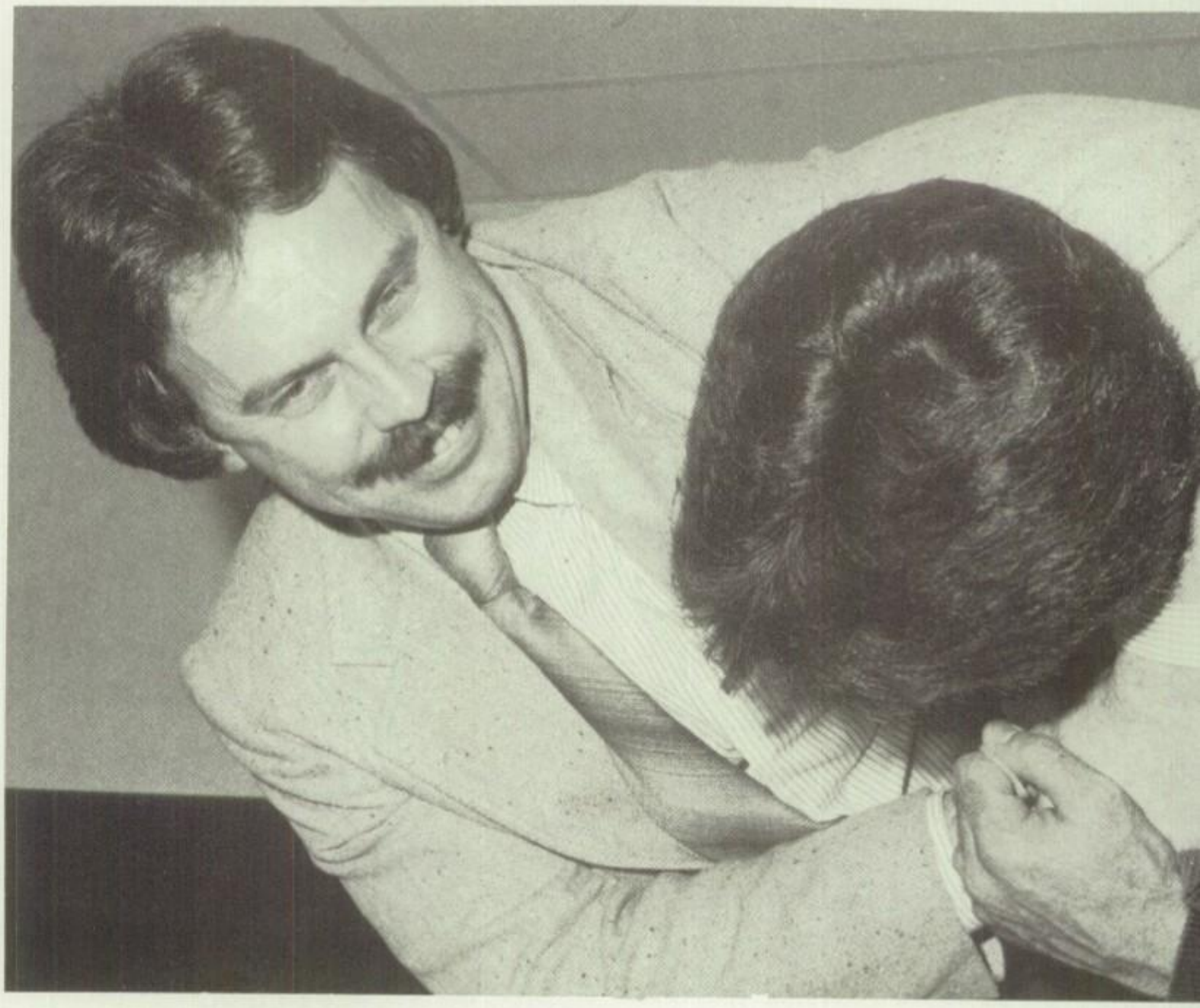
"Hawkeye" Hodge holds steady.

Teachers Bridge The Communication Gap





Julie Fisher
David Grothe
Tom Halbrook



Mr. Booth affectionately takes a teacher under his wing.

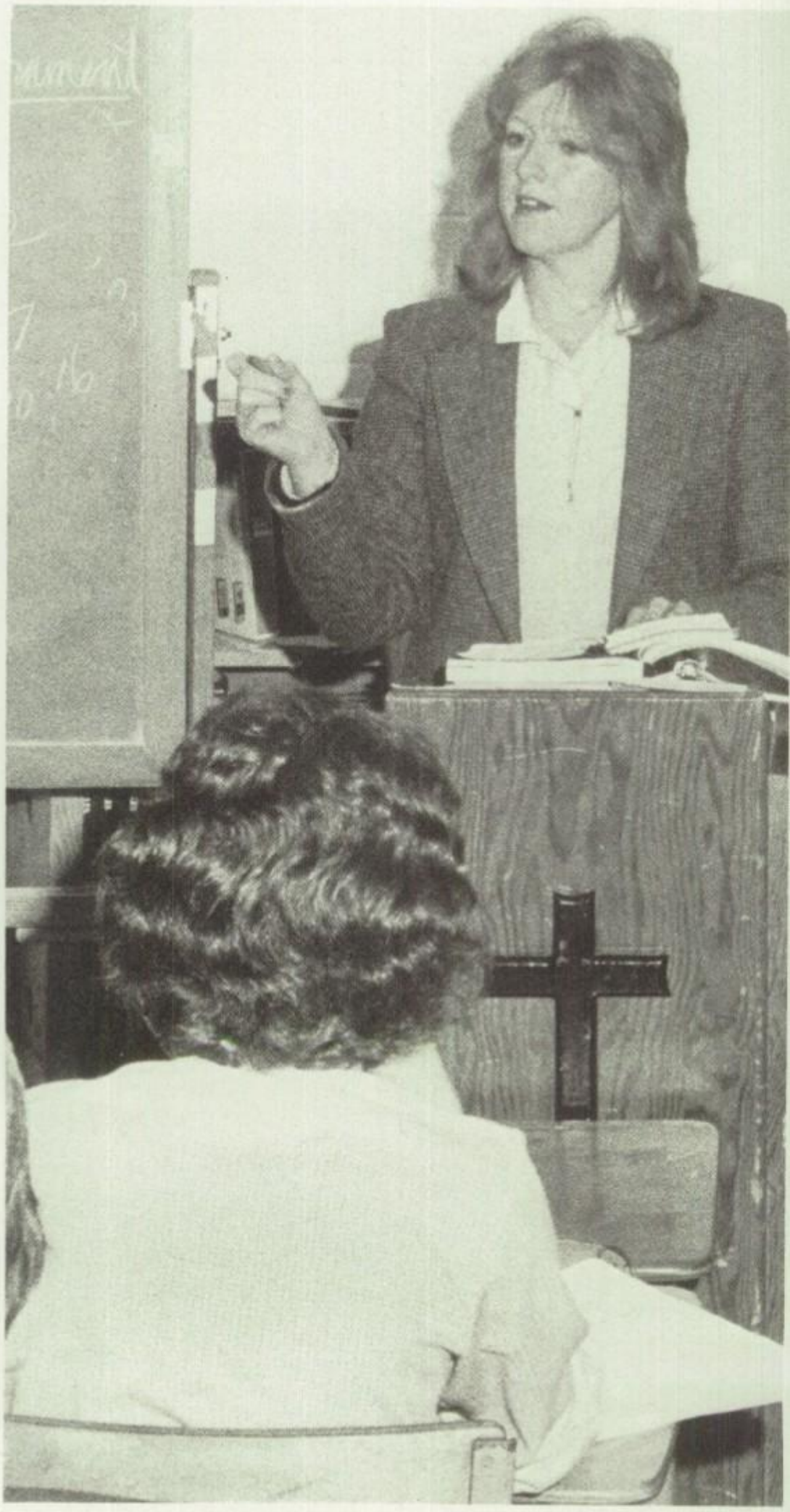
Mrs. Fisher extends Christmas greetings over the phone.

Brenda Henshaw
Margaret Hodge
Brenda Johnson

Greg Kittinger

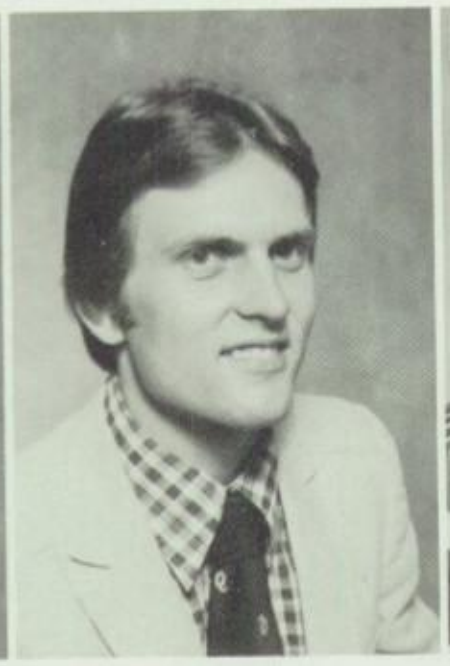
Sandy Kittinger

Joy Maynard

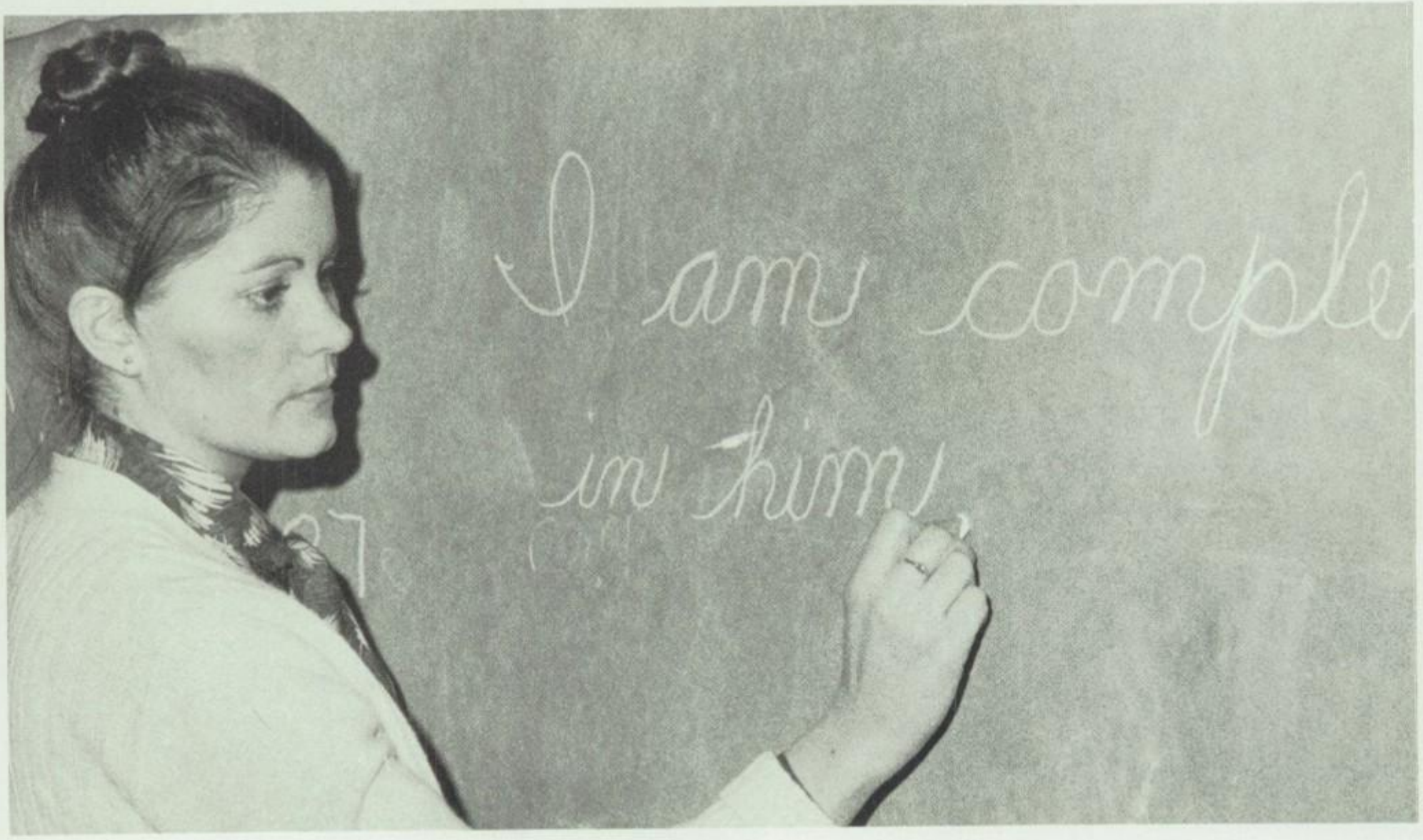


"You have the mind of Christ."

Our Curriculum Is Word Oriented



Linda Newman
Tom Newman
Jennifer Ophoff



Mrs. Ralston instructs her class in the Word of God.

Teachers Instruct In The Ways Of The Lord

Jim Parker
Bill Purvis
Debbie Ralston

Mr. Parker acknowledges another raised hand.

"What do the instructions say, Jason?"

Bonnie Schluter
Jill Stafford
Leslie Swaim

Joyce Tabor
Connie Teter
Patricia Turkovitch

Linda Turner

Teaching Isn't All Hard Work

Boyce Bishop takes a time out.

The Finishing Touch

Life begins like a painting,
On a canvas that's spotless and clean,
And first impressions of childhood,
Begin to determine the scene.

The first strokes are made by the parents,
The background soon comes into view,
And daily, the words that are spoken,
Are painted as though they were true.

School days add many new colors,
And details begin to appear,
And things that seemed out of focus,
Now quickly are starting to clear.

Teen years are filled with excitement,
The painting has reached its full size,
And scenes of moods and emotions,
Appear on the backgrounding skies.

Each pictures' unique, and so different,
But marred, though the artist was neat,
Yet only a touch from the Master,
Will make each portrait complete.

Peter Enns

SPORTS

The Conqueror is Born

With the rising of a new school spirit came the birth of "the Conqueror," characterized as our director's alter ego. Though small in stature this Norseman enticed our teams on to victory wearing the full armor of God. Truly, the name "Conqueror" has been earned, as all the athletes agreed "a tradition has begun!"

Scott Turner discusses his race strategy while Sarah Redmond checks out the competition.

Let's get this show on the road!

Bob Scott prepares for the Tulsa Run.

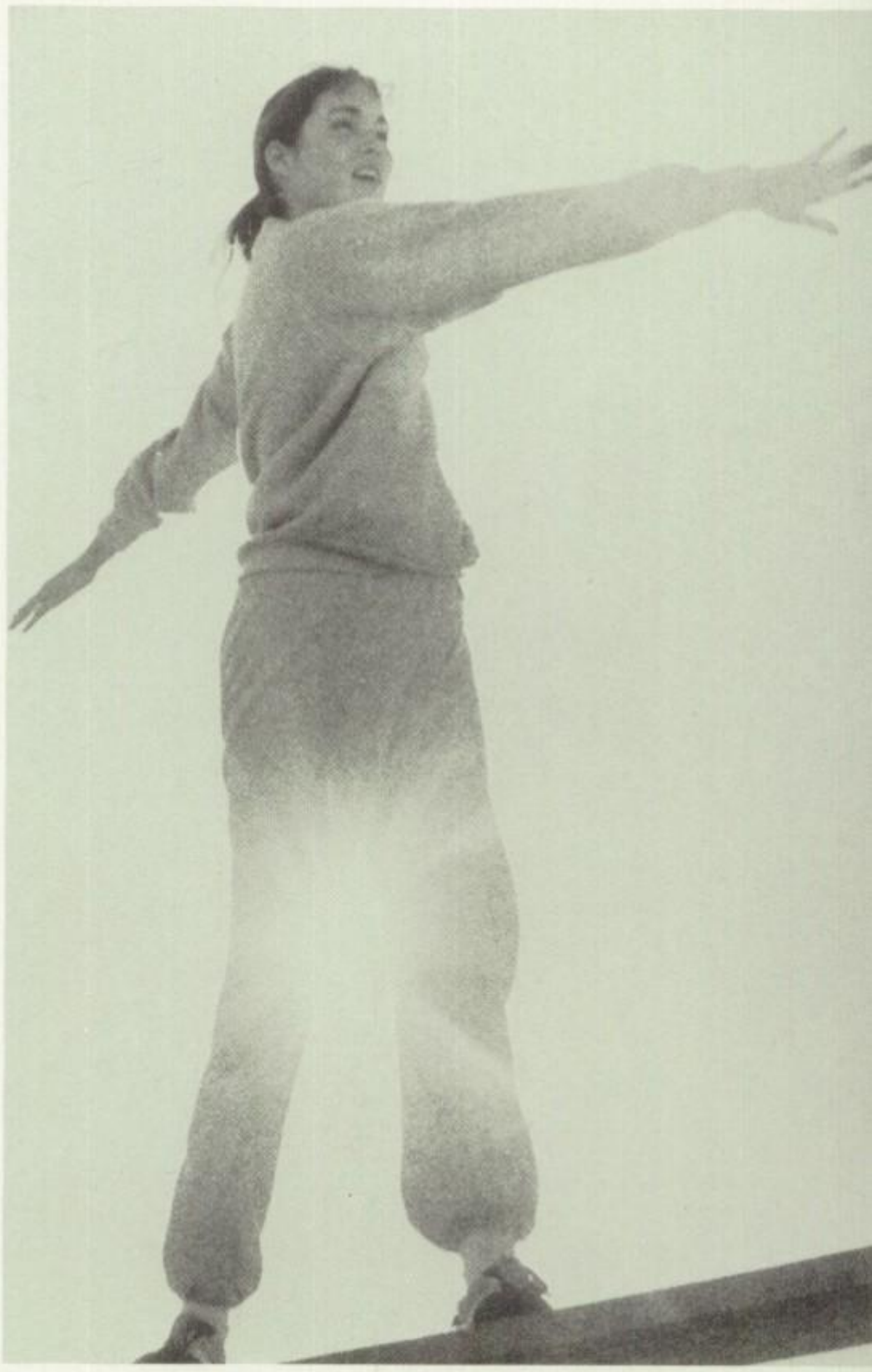
Young Cross-Country Team Puts Best Foot Forward

Ron Cummins (2884) gives it all he's got in the Tulsa Run.

A smile flashes over the face of Charlie Cummings as he nears the finish line.

Coach Turkovitch gives last minute instructions to her elementary cross-country team.

First Cross-Country Team Sets The Pace



Andrea Griffin streches out before an early morning run.

Three stay warm at a chilly cross-country meet.

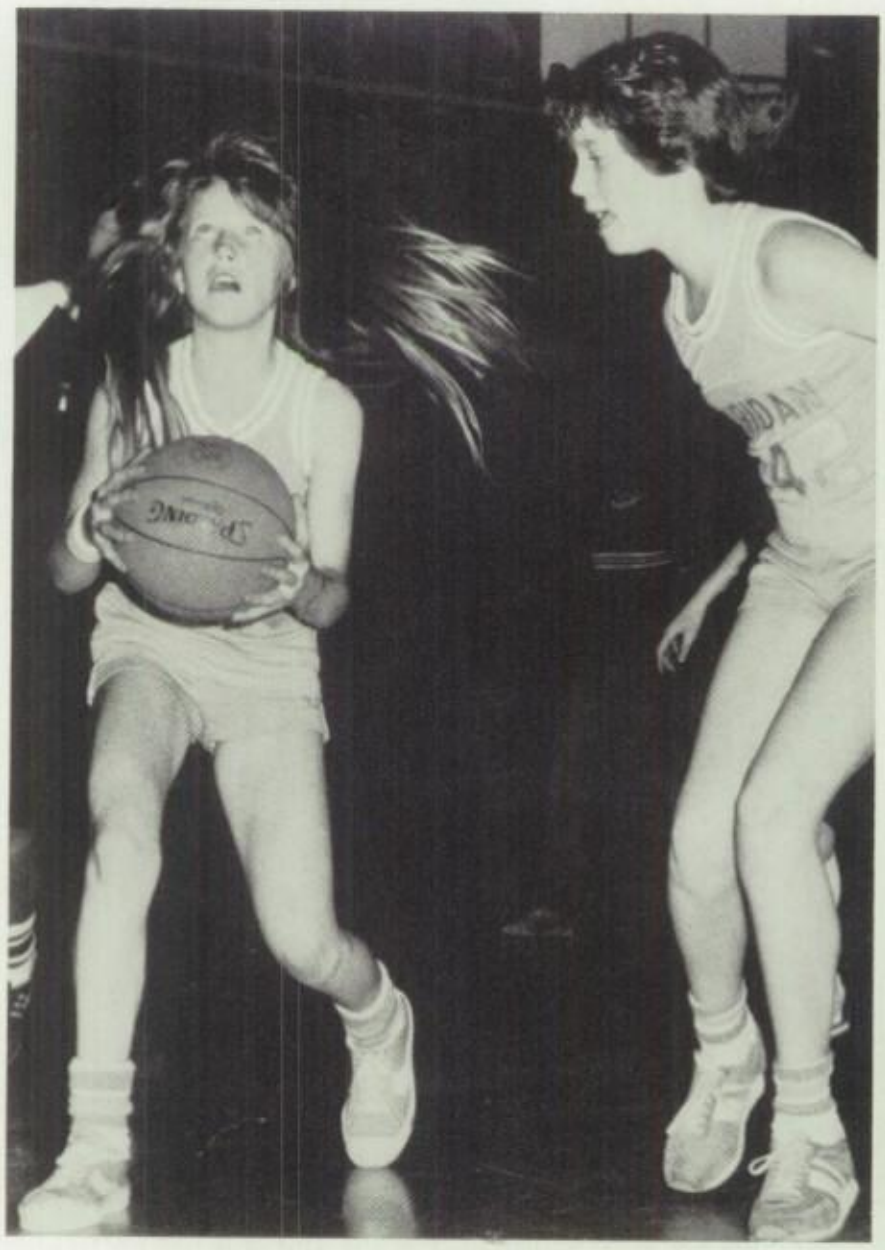
Ben Griffin and David Martinez go for the honors in a two-mile run at ORU.

". . . they shall run and not be weary," thinks Renee.

John Redmond puts gusto in the final mile.

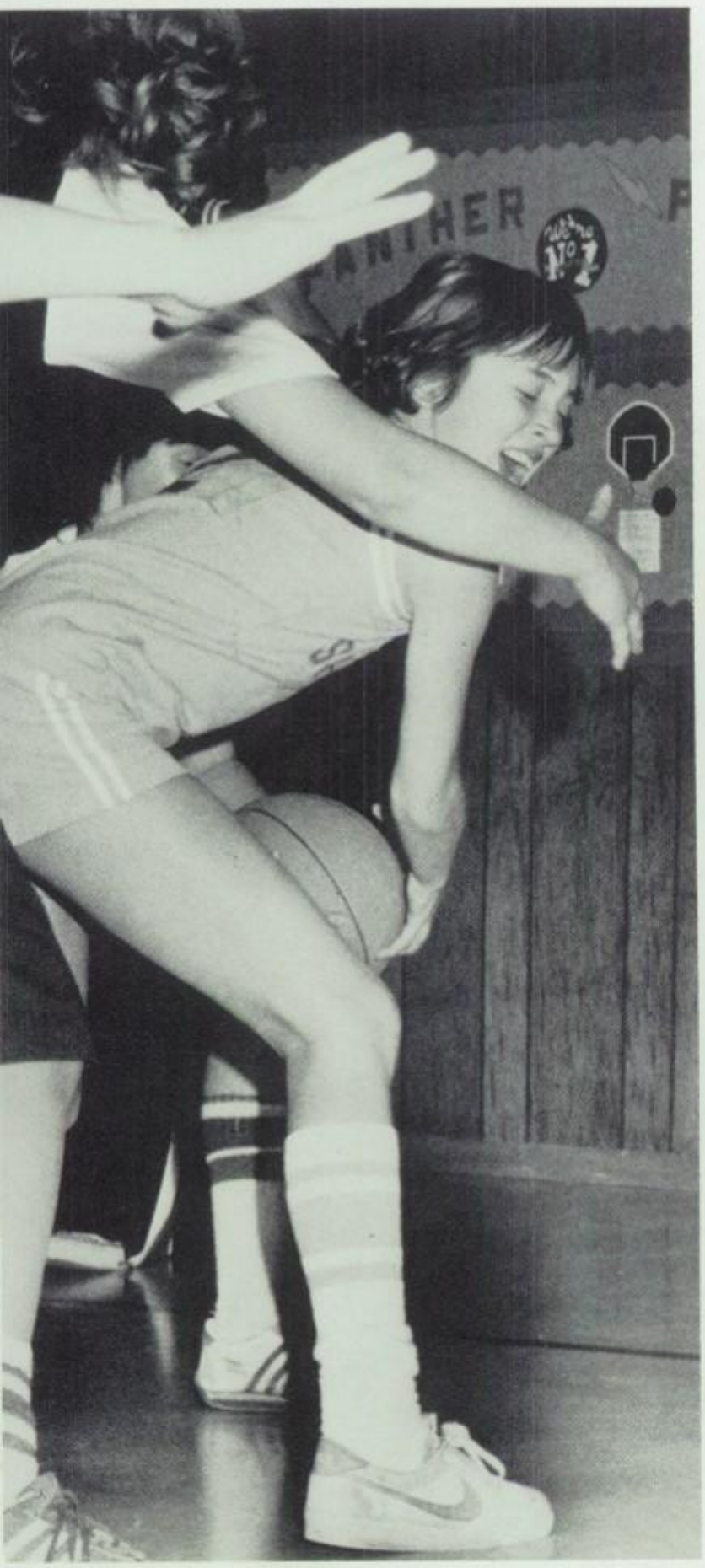
Elementary Teams Show Grown-Up Action

Coaches Bud Lievesay and Betty King supported and guided these teams through the tight jams, and the exciting victories. The teams made up for their lack of height with extra efforts when it came to shooting. Those who attended the games said, "Each game was so close, it kept you on the edge of your seat."



Jennifer Dean encourages Sarah Redmond to go ahead and shoot.

"Hustle" is the word on Scott Turner's mind.



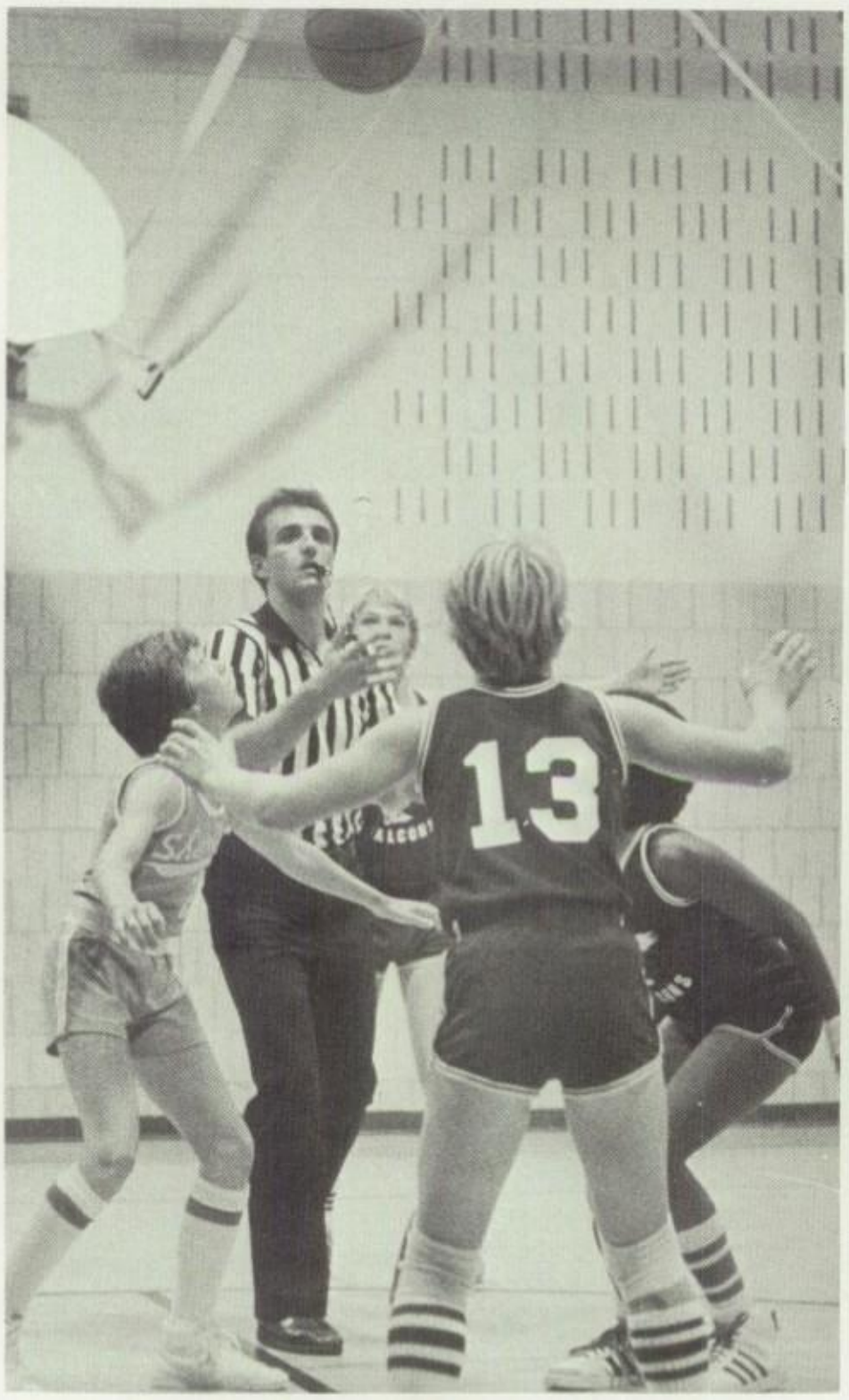
Temple Christian Academy guards close-in on Sarah Griffin.

Scott Bennett pays no attention to a wild hindrance.

Go ye mighty con-quer-ors!!

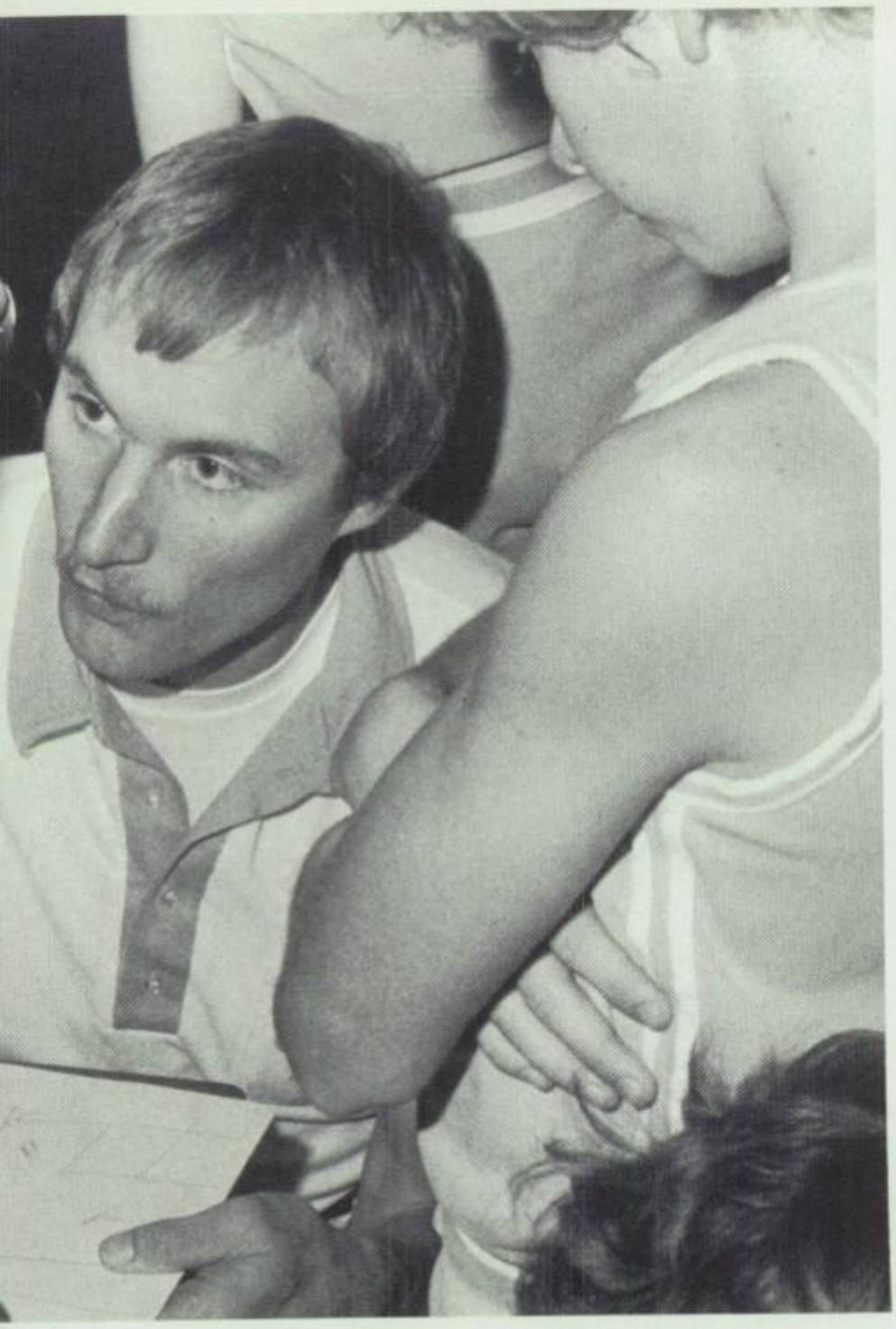
Middle School keeps Stepping High

The boys' and girls' Junior Varsity teams put forth great teamwork this year. The coaches, Scott Dodge and John Mason, worked with them spiritually as well as physically, letting them know that winning doesn't always mean having the most points. Their games were filled with excitement as many of them ran a tight score. In the end the Conquerors had the victory, for they had learned how to work together.



B.J. Tilney watches intently for the jump-ball.

Dawn Pluchel shows deep concentration as she hustles down the court.



Coach Dodge explains the strategy during a time out.

Wendy Shreve grabs a piece of the action.

Krissy Turner "steals the show" during halftime.

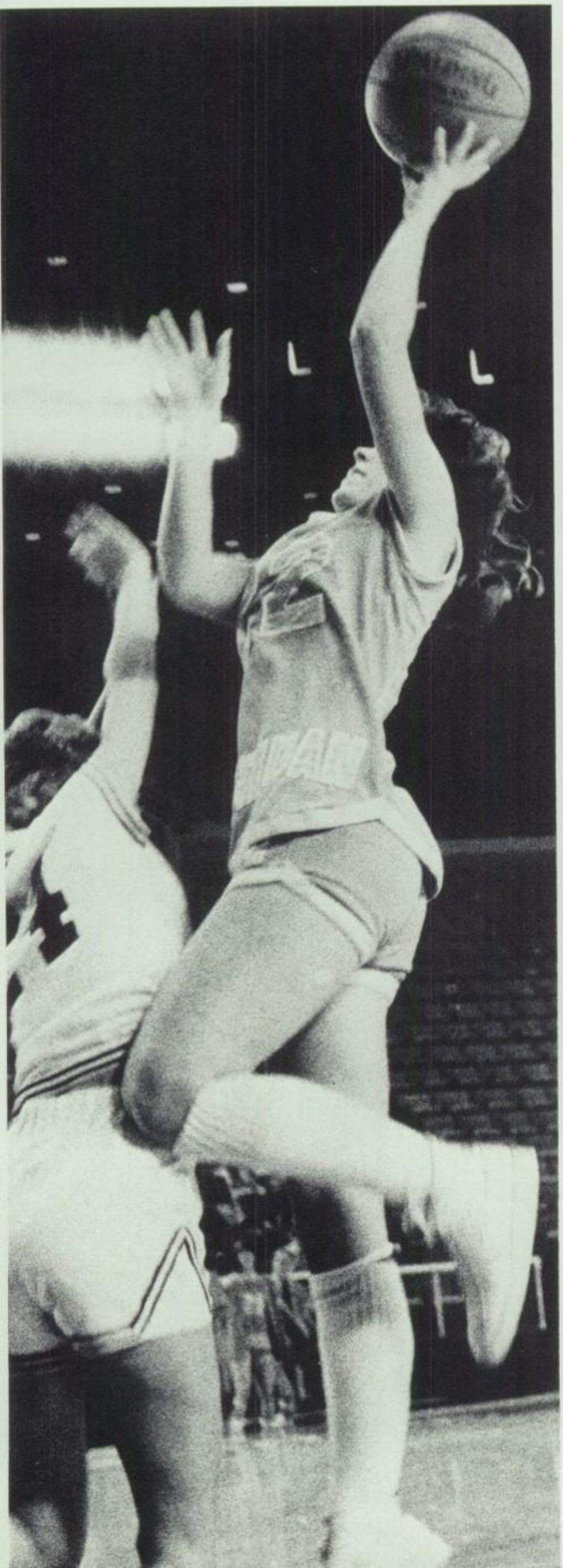
MABEE, WE'LL PLAY THERE

Our varsity teams were honored with the opportunity to play their first home game in the "magnificent Mabee Center." There was a feeling of importance experienced by the players and the spectators. The spaciousness around the court set the event in a dreamlike atmosphere for the teams. The starters experienced the normal jitters before a game, but that all seemed to fade when the intense action began. Memories flashed in the eyes of the varsity girls' coach, Debbie Gable, as she thought of her Lady Titan days when she played on this very court.

This night of nights will long be remembered as a privilege to play on the best court in the Midwest.

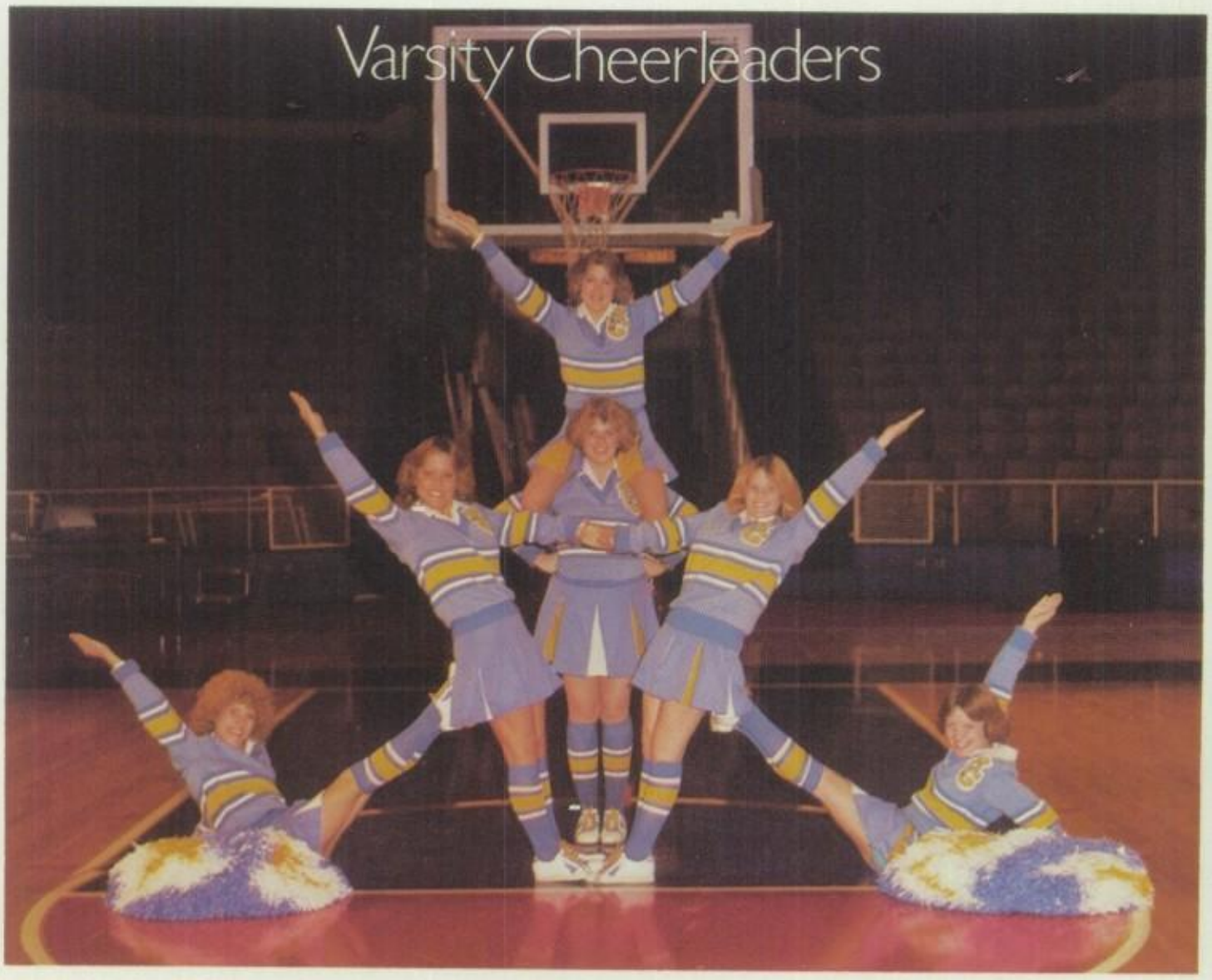
the ORU Mabee Center

Kelly Carlson lays up another two points, adding to the excitement of playing in the Mabee Center.



The presence of fans makes Bobby Heath determined to win the tip-off.

First Varsity Teams Show Excellence.



From left: Nanc' jo Shassberger, Terri Hudson—captain, Sharmayne Hall, Cheryl Miles, Leslie Stephens, Kim Enns

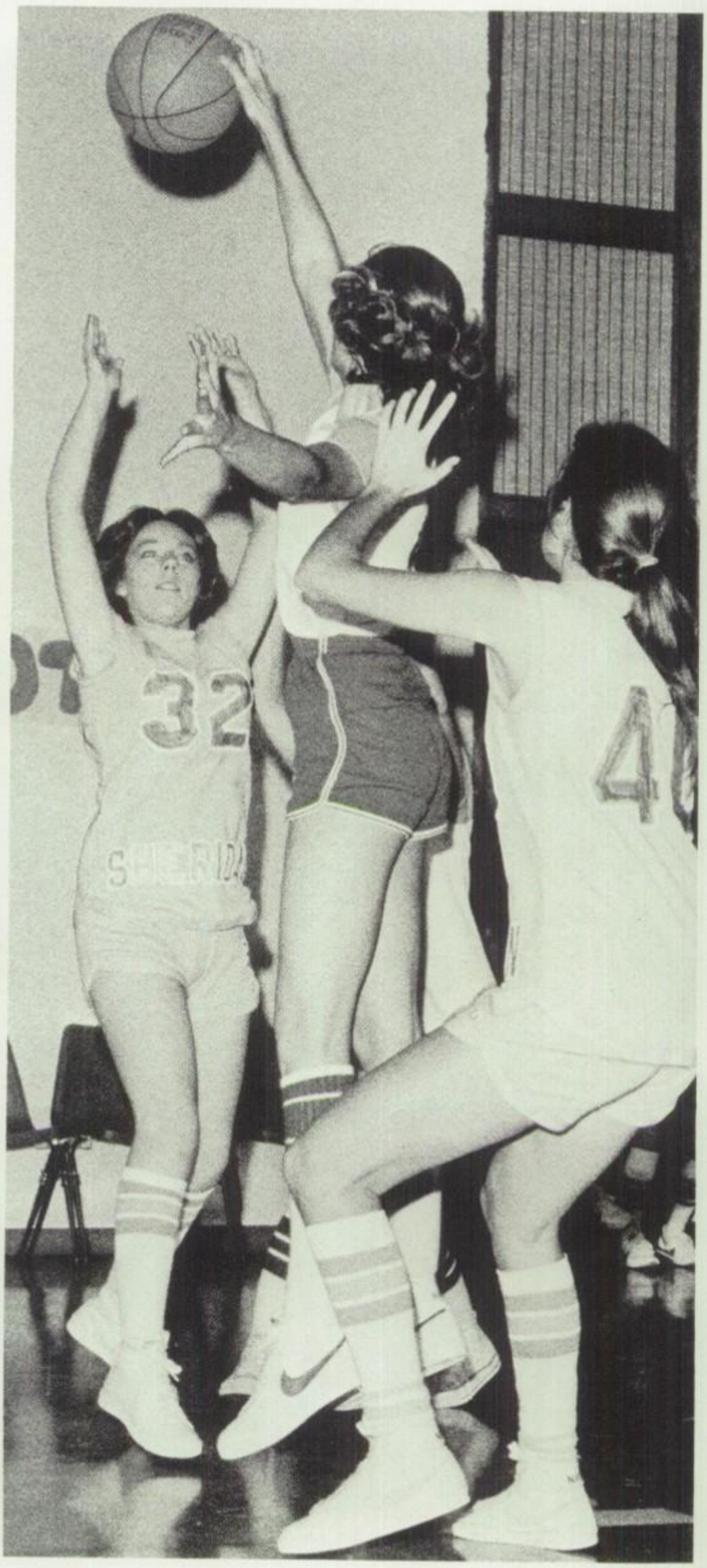
Row 1: Stewart Azuma, Mickey Meydag, Chris Vokoun, Larry Lievsay, Orrin Seals, Craig Burnett. Second Row: Billy Hudson, David Ingles—manager, David Martinez, Coach Chuck Dodge, Sam Black, Mark Thomas, Scott Hughes, Bobby Heath, Rick Matson, Kris Morgan, Richard Warren, Coach Tom Halbrook, David D'Alessandro, Scott White, Ben Griffin— trainer.

Row 1: Becky Barnes, Kim Vokoun, Kelly Carlson— captain, Renee Donohue. Second Row: Coach Debbie Gabel, Carol Barrett, Lee Anne Hiatt, Cindy Pankey, Andrea Griffin, Darla Pitts, Jessica Griffin, Andrea Flake— manager

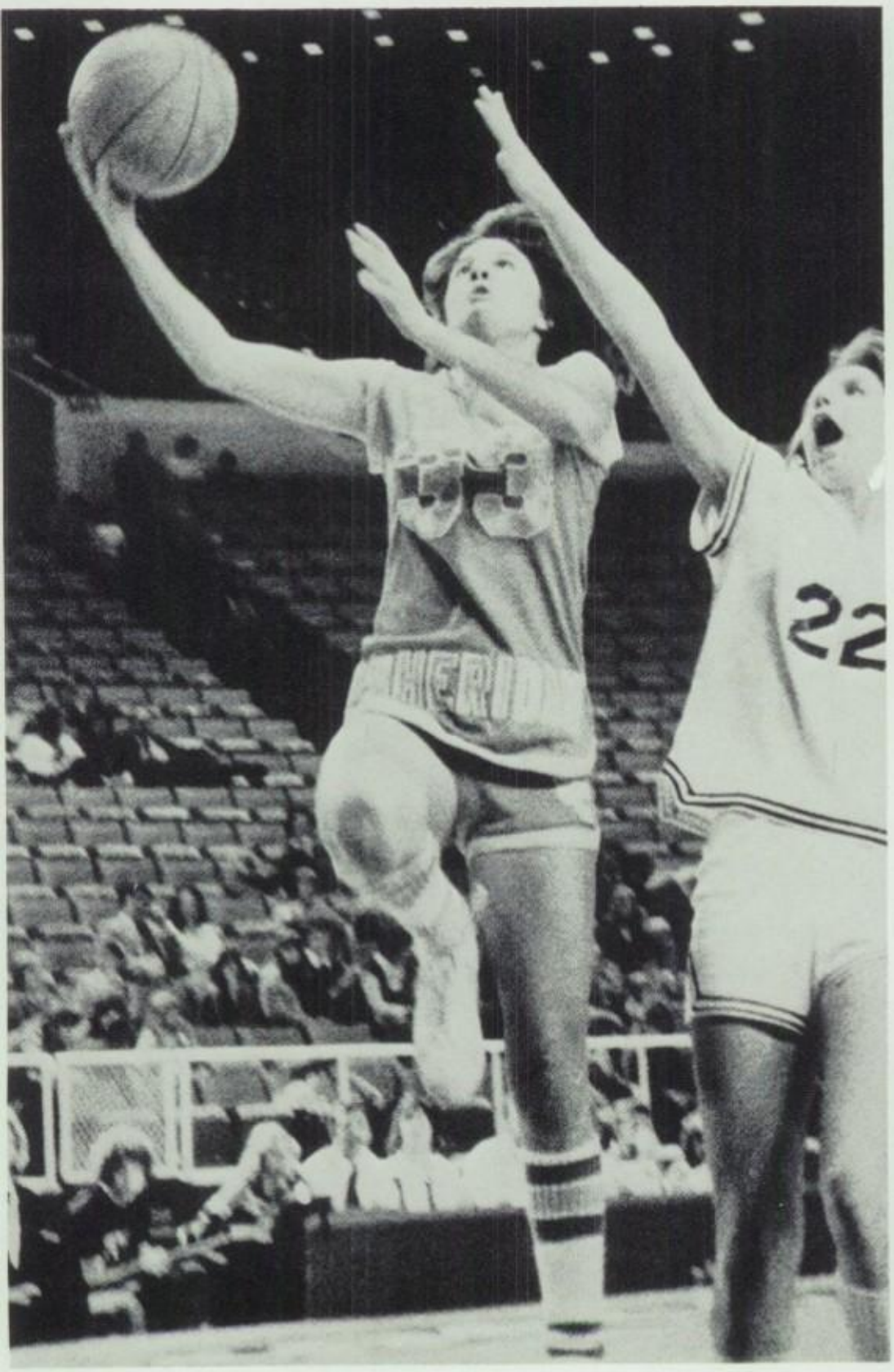
LADY CONQUERORS REACH THE TOP

It was a hard working year for our Lady Conquerors. With daily practice, running continuous line drills and strategic plays, the girls prepared themselves for competition. Their coach, Debbie Gable, former Lady Titan, taught them the necessary skills of playing basketball. Communion before each game built up the spiritual unity of the team. They ran out on the court with the courage, ability and the goal to win the game, a goal they met with remarkable consistency.

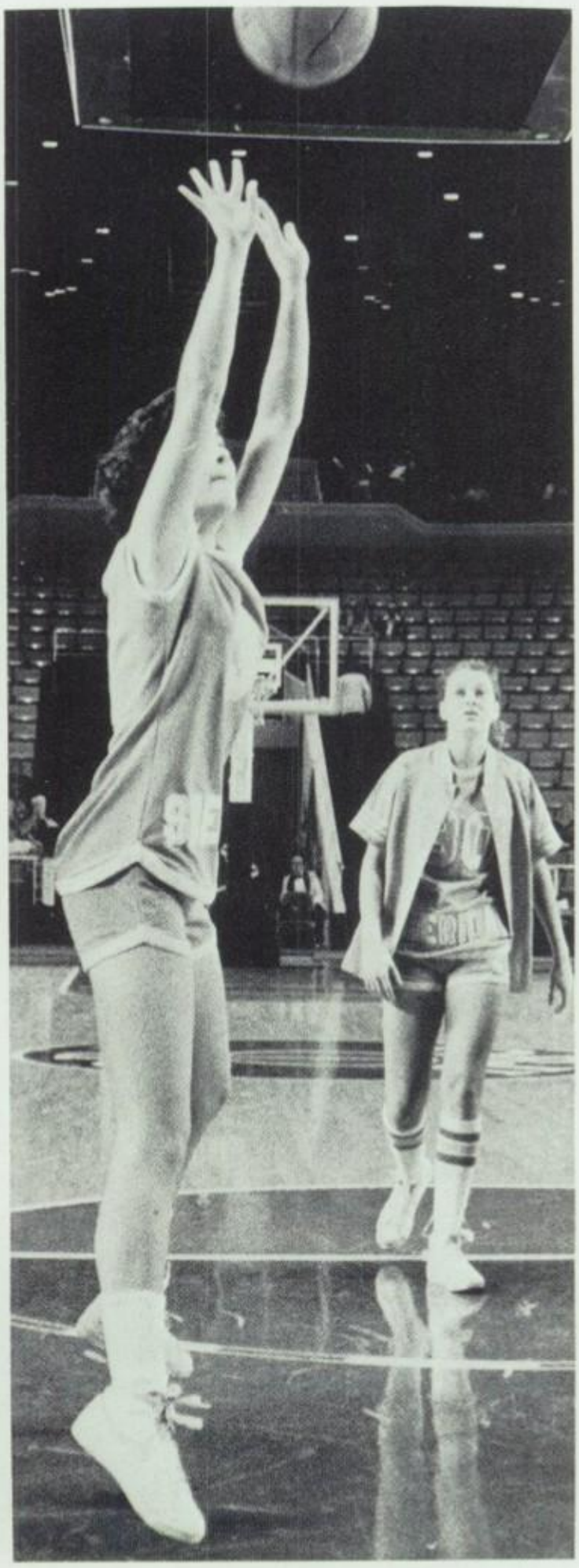
Nanc'jo is up in the air over the Conquerors.



Carol and Andera know that they are victors though they may look as grasshoppers in their opponents' sights."

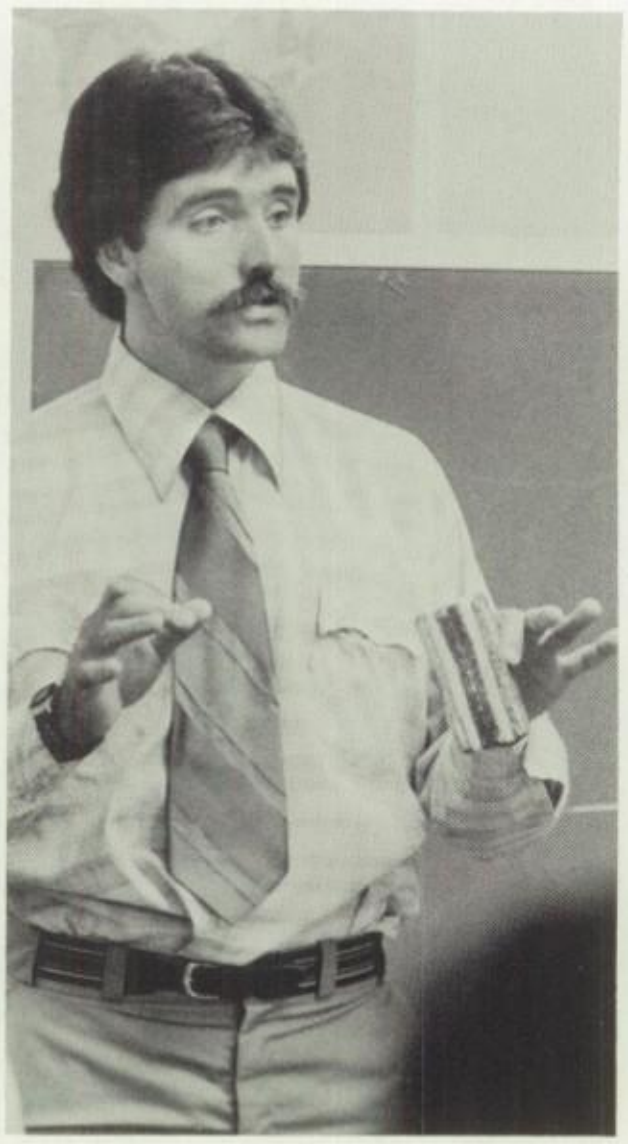


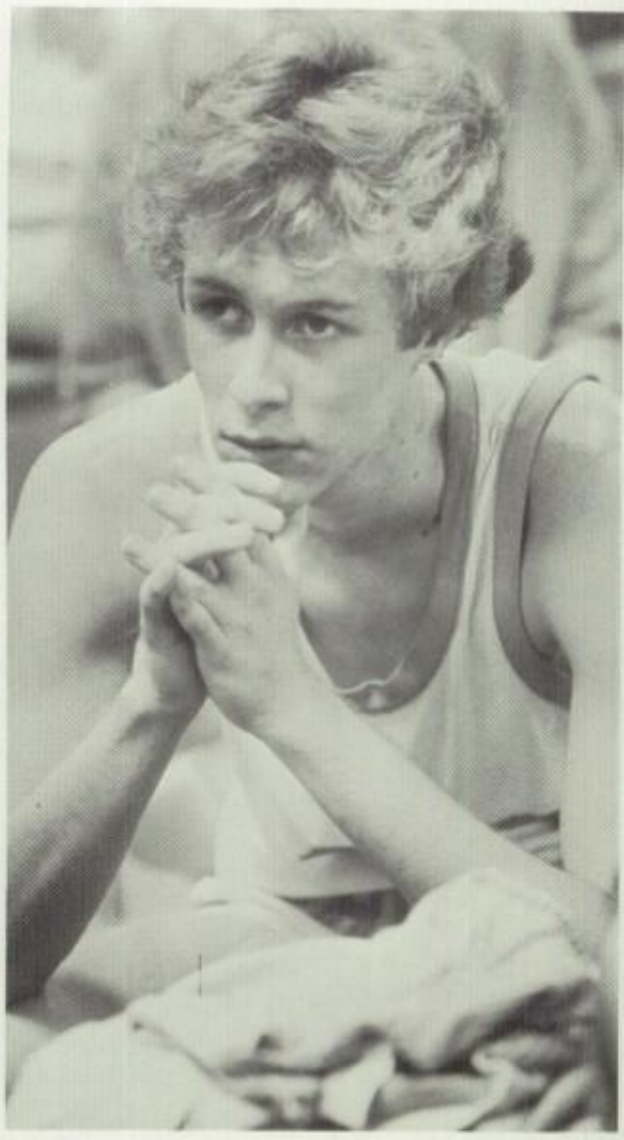
Renee plows through to score two.



Warming up before a game, Jessica and Lee Ann ease the "jitters".

WE'RE COMING UP





When J.T. Halbrook speaks, people listen!

Indeed, it was a challenging year for the Varsity boys. Starting out slowly, the Conquerors withstood many trials, but with strong will and spirit the team bounced back to victory. Through it all, the team came to realize that unity in spirit and precise teamwork were the only ways that they could live up to the name, "Conquerors."

Freshman Chris Vokoun demonstrates his ball handling ability.

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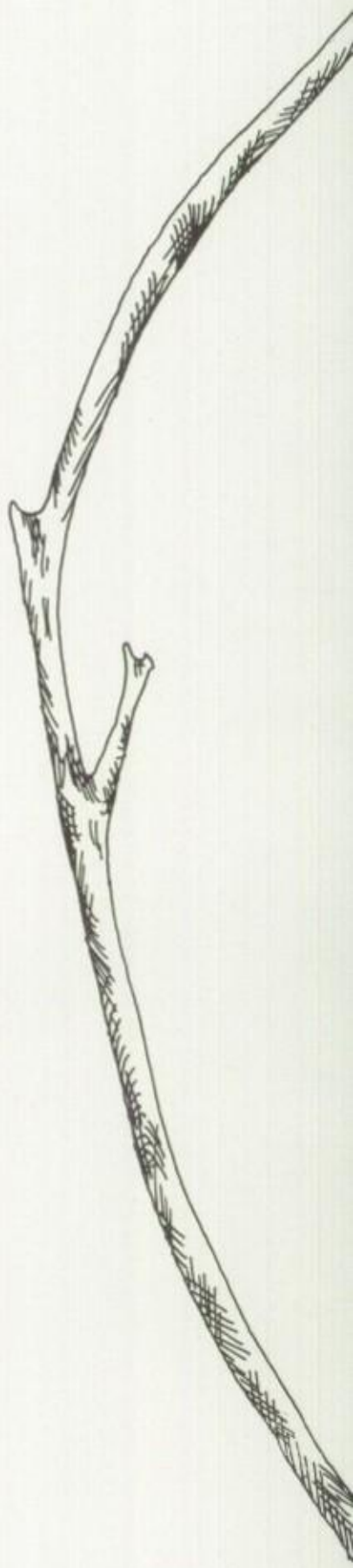
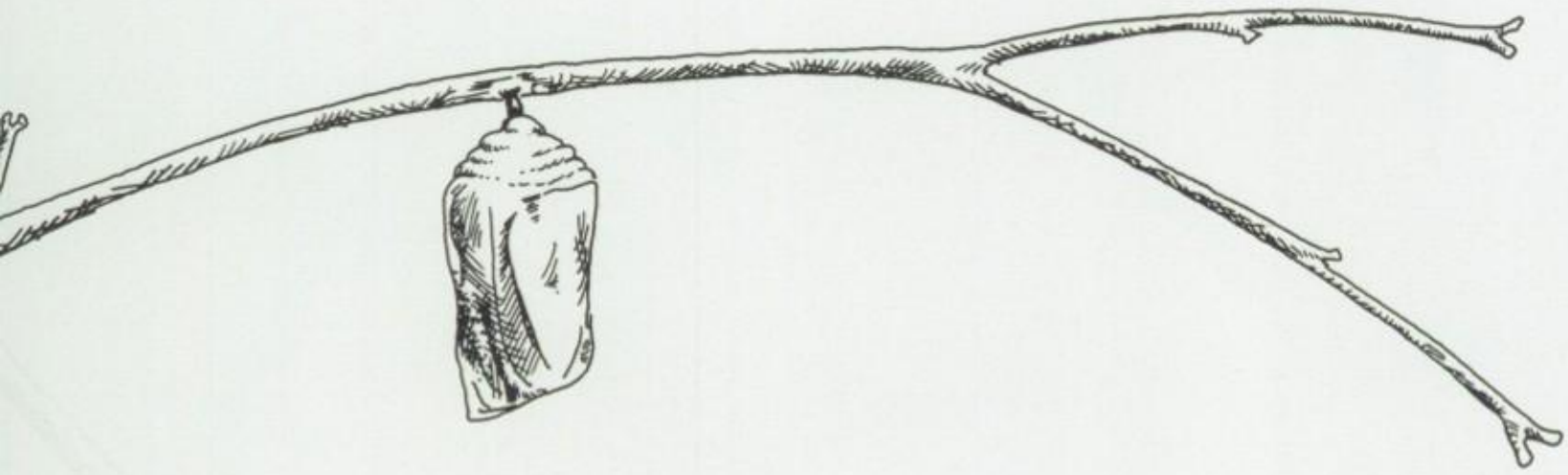
ACADEMICS

Give Me Now Wisdom and Knowledge

During the course of the year, classes are taken in order to expand our mind's horizons. Through long hour's of learning and studying we will better our future, as the Lord increases His wisdom in us.

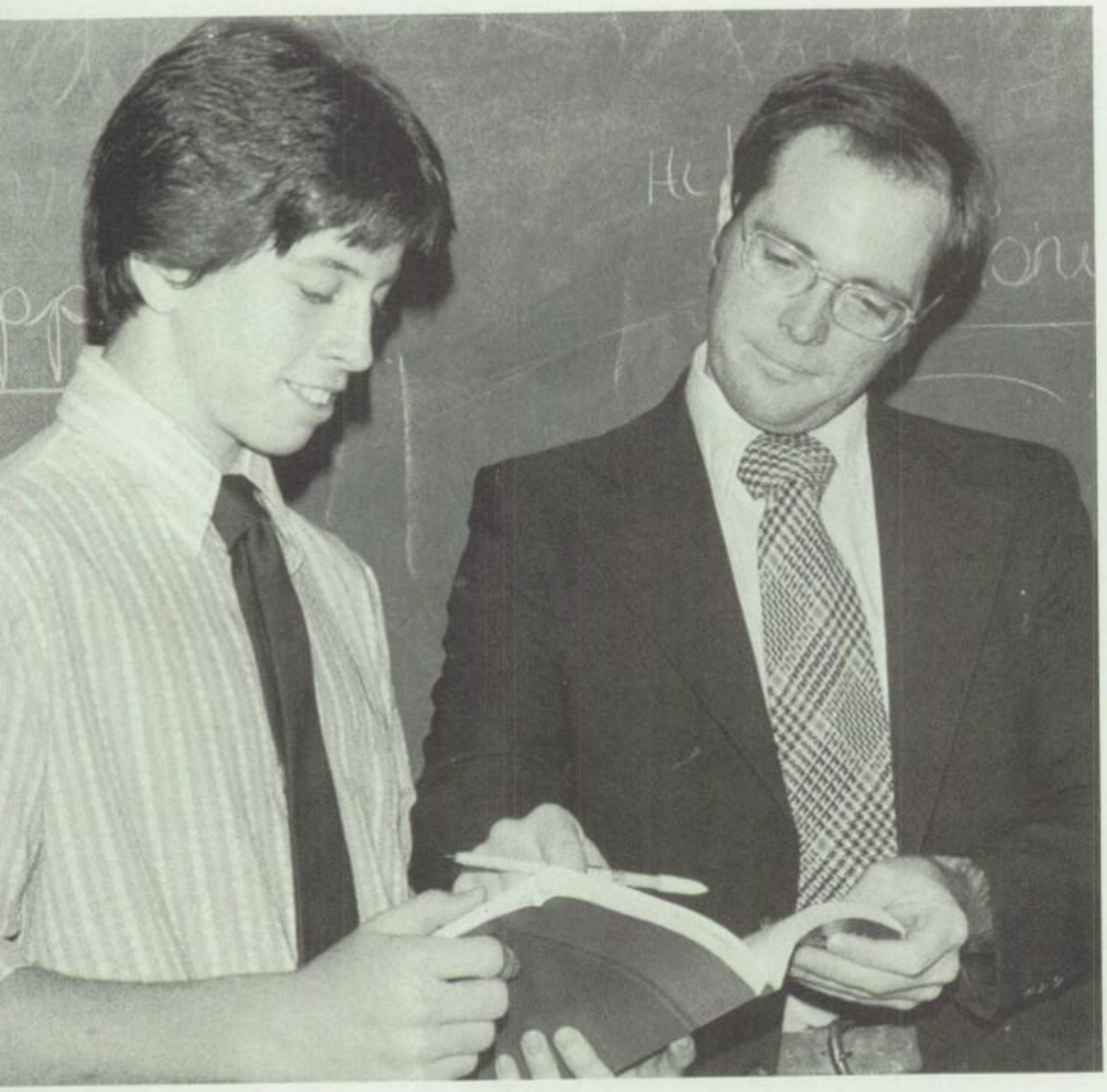




Study To Show Thyself Approved

Tom Sawyer and Lisa Shreve think of lunch while studying a Spanish poster.

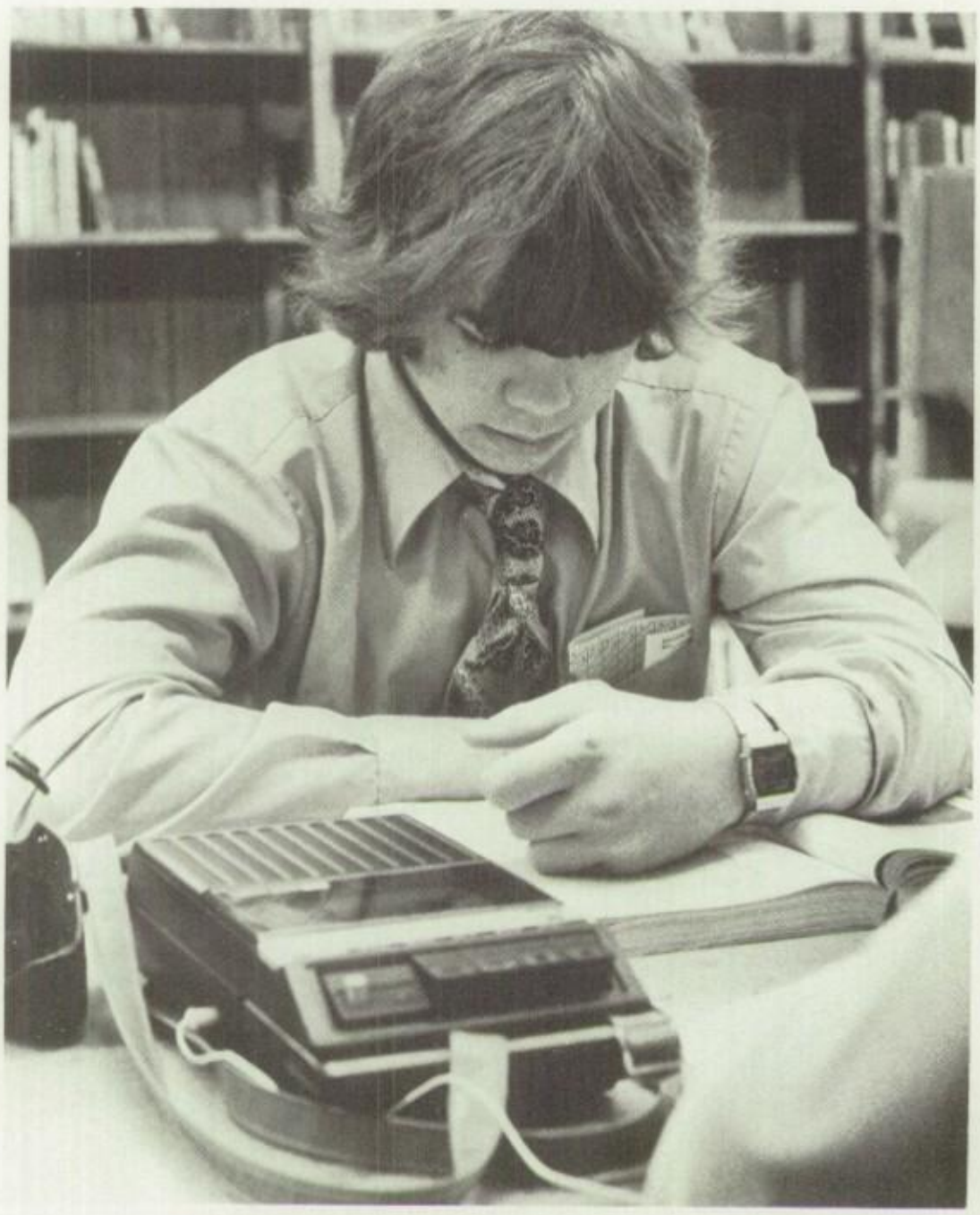
"Well done Thou good and faithful, Stewart (Azuma)," approves Miss Johnson.



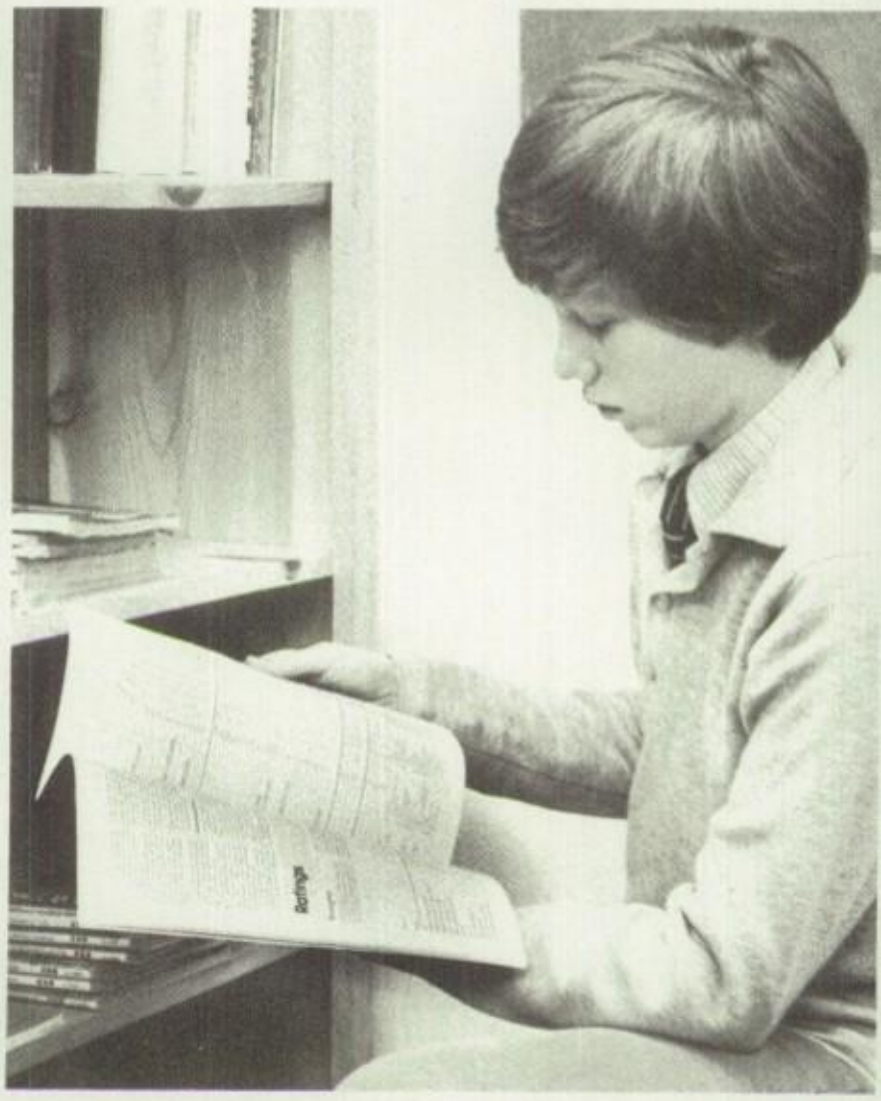
Mr. DaVault encourages Robbie Thompson in creative writing.

Can you find the teacher in this picture?

Getting a Well Balanced Education



Catching up on his studies, Eric Maroney reads quietly.

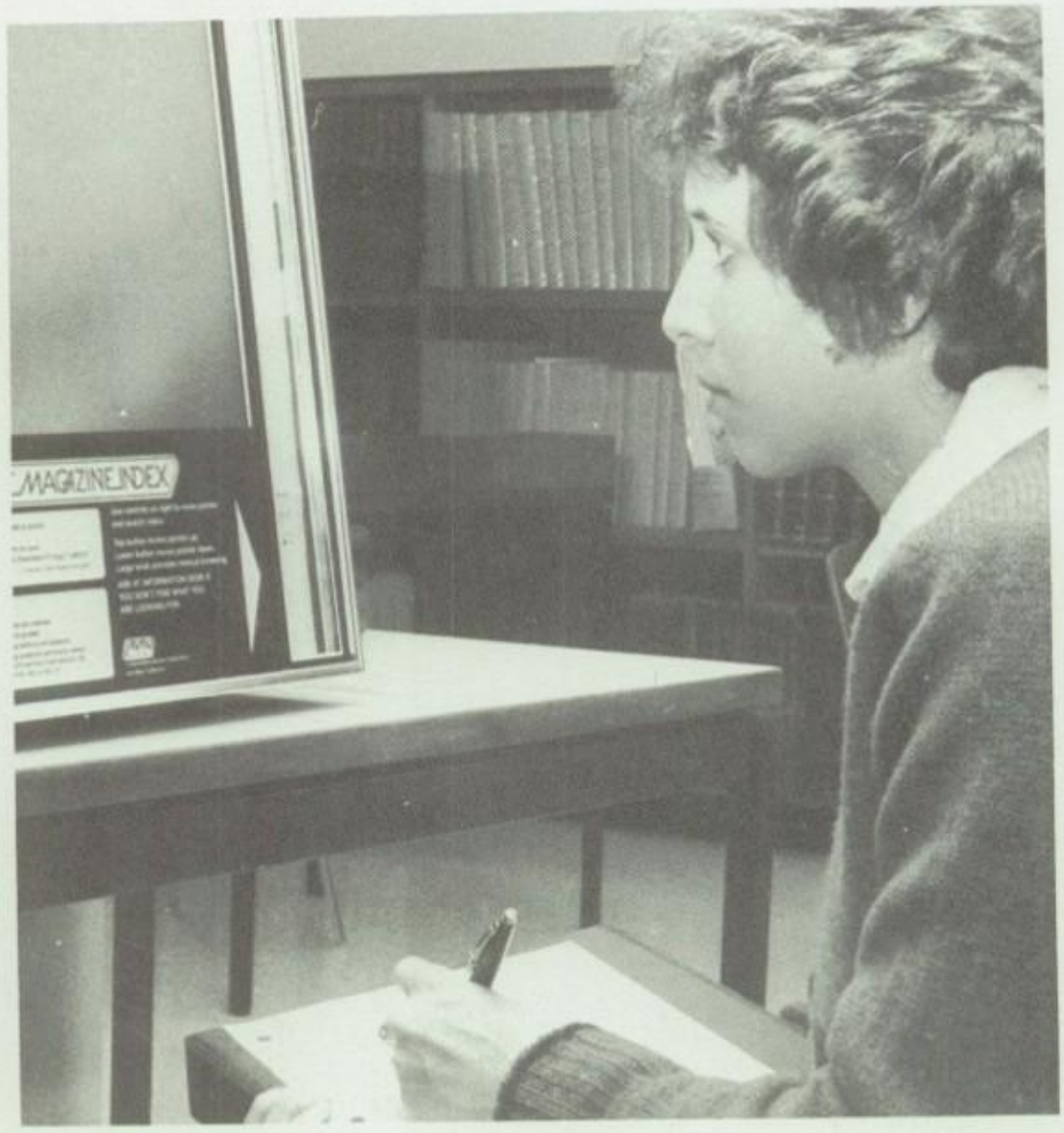


Rette Rankin browses through Sports magazine in the library.

Sharmayne Hall, Kelly Carlson, Gail Hansen, and Christi Thompson in costume for "Rock Music Seminar" — a speech project.

Lori is skeptical of Gina's first Chemistry experiment.

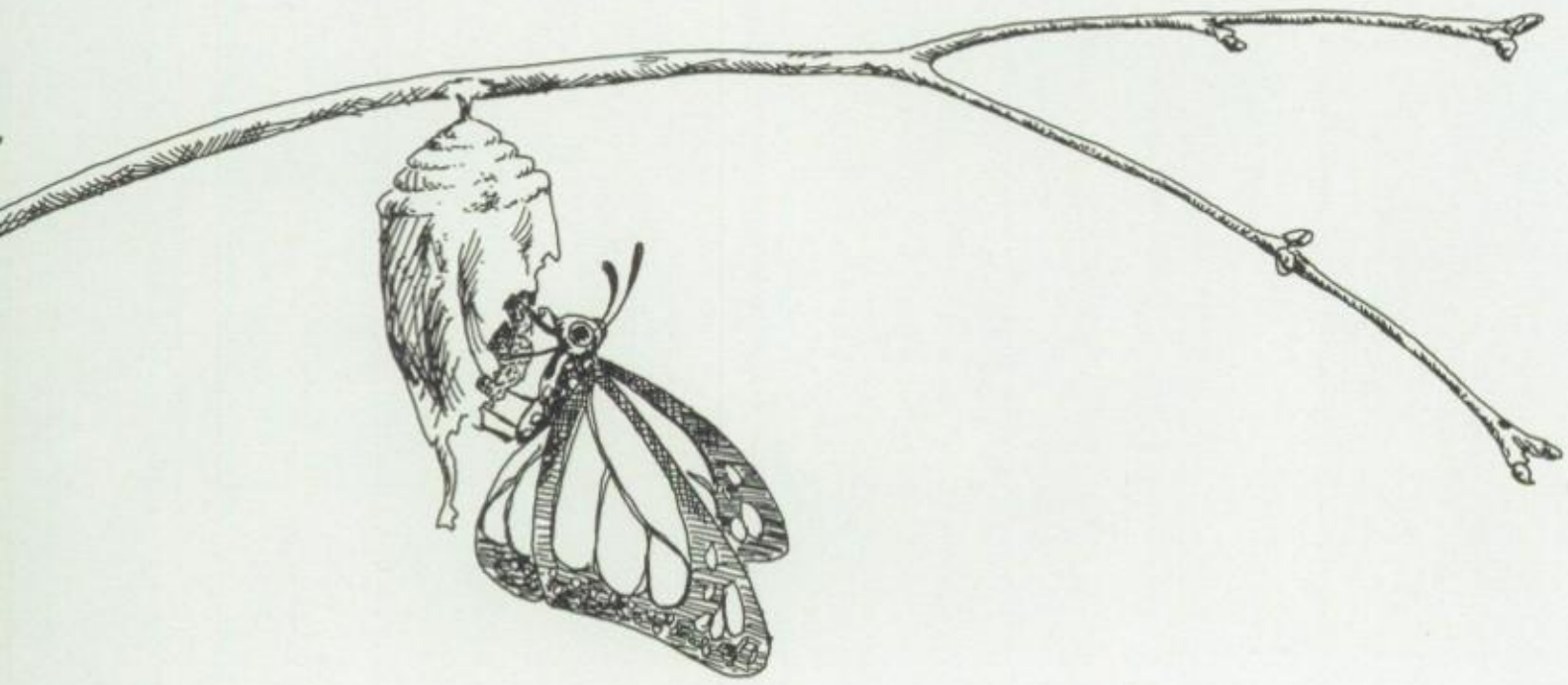
Lisa Chapman plays the role of a secretary as part of a Career Education assignment.



Studying micro-film for a special Speech project, Kim Vokoun collects information on "The right to life."

Nevertheless I Live.

Spare and academic hours could always be filled with activities of one or more clubs. New energy radiated from students as interests were found and pursued with all diligence.



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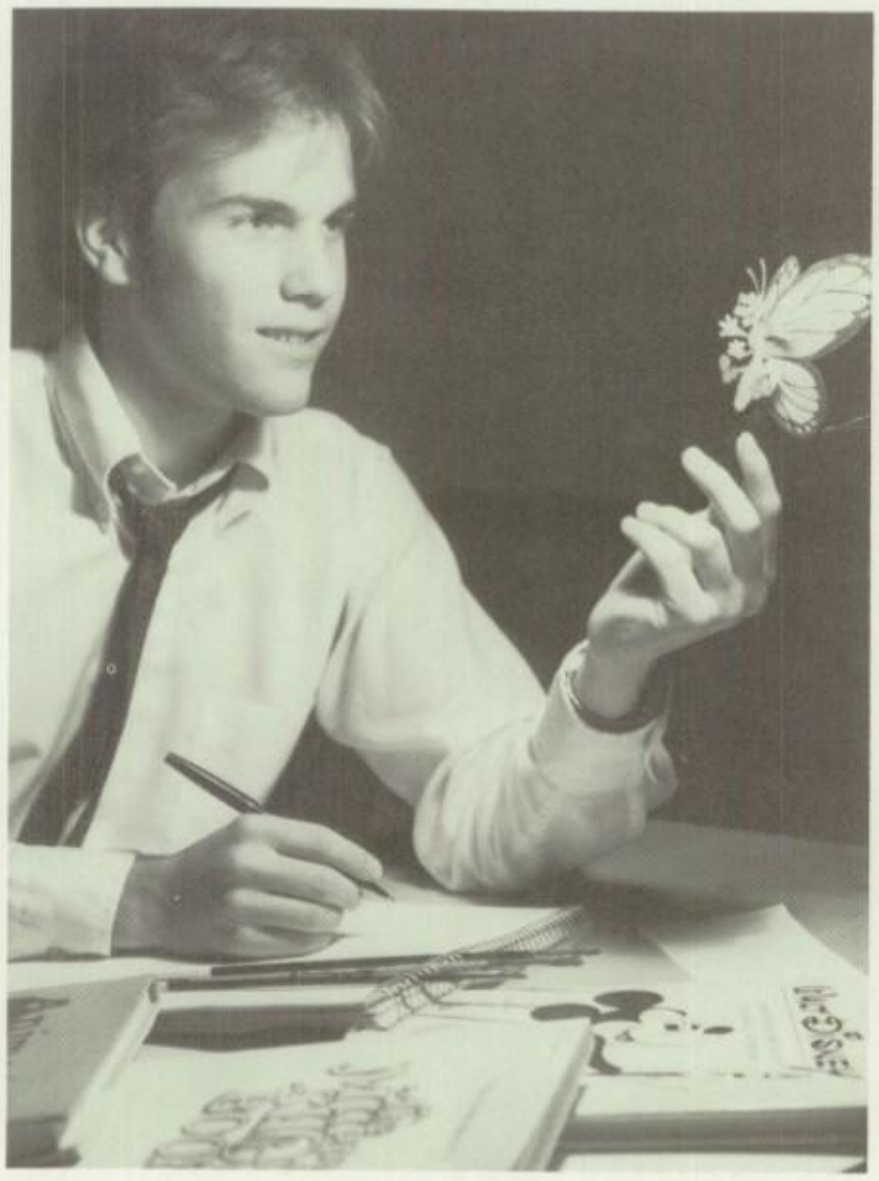

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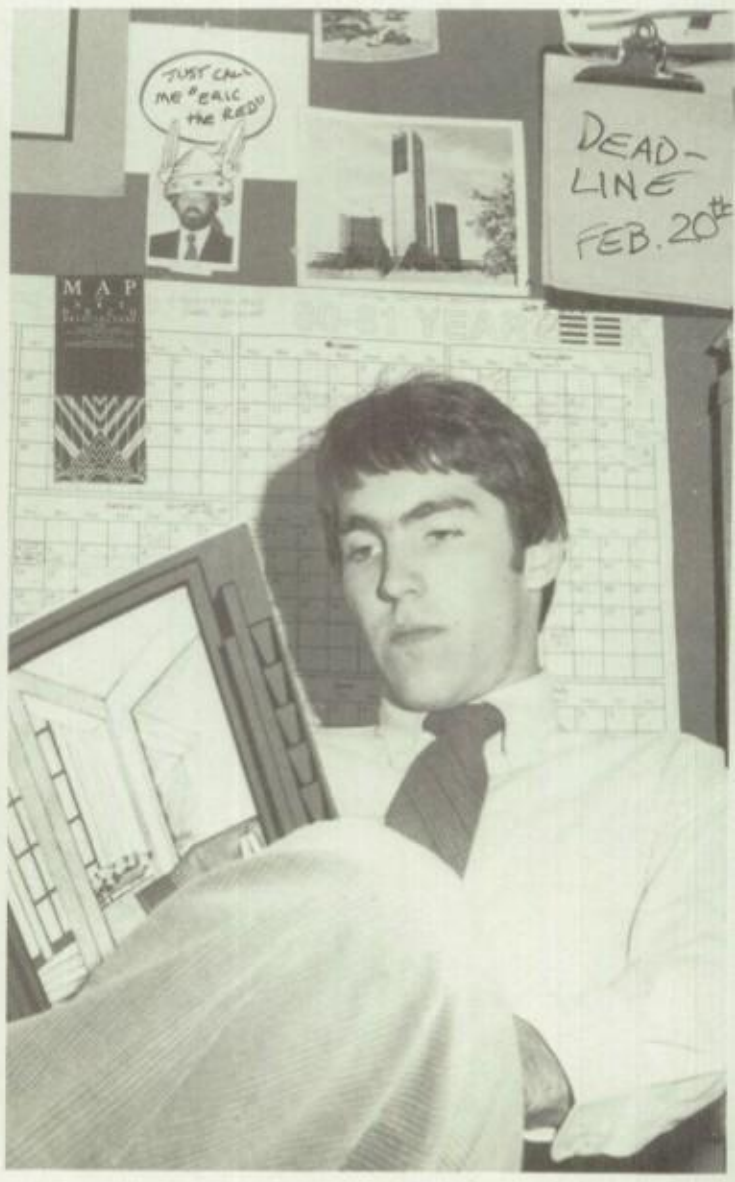

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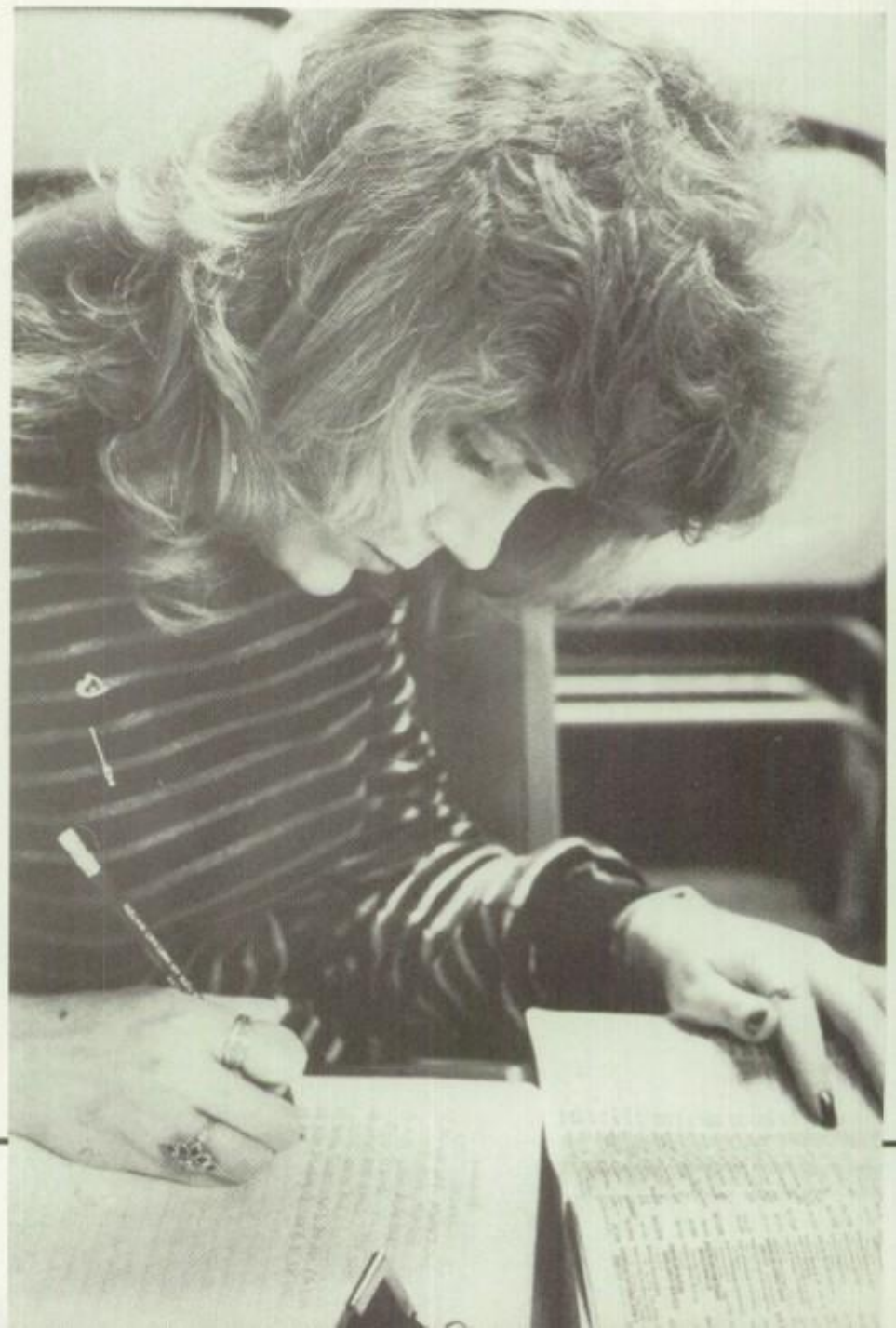

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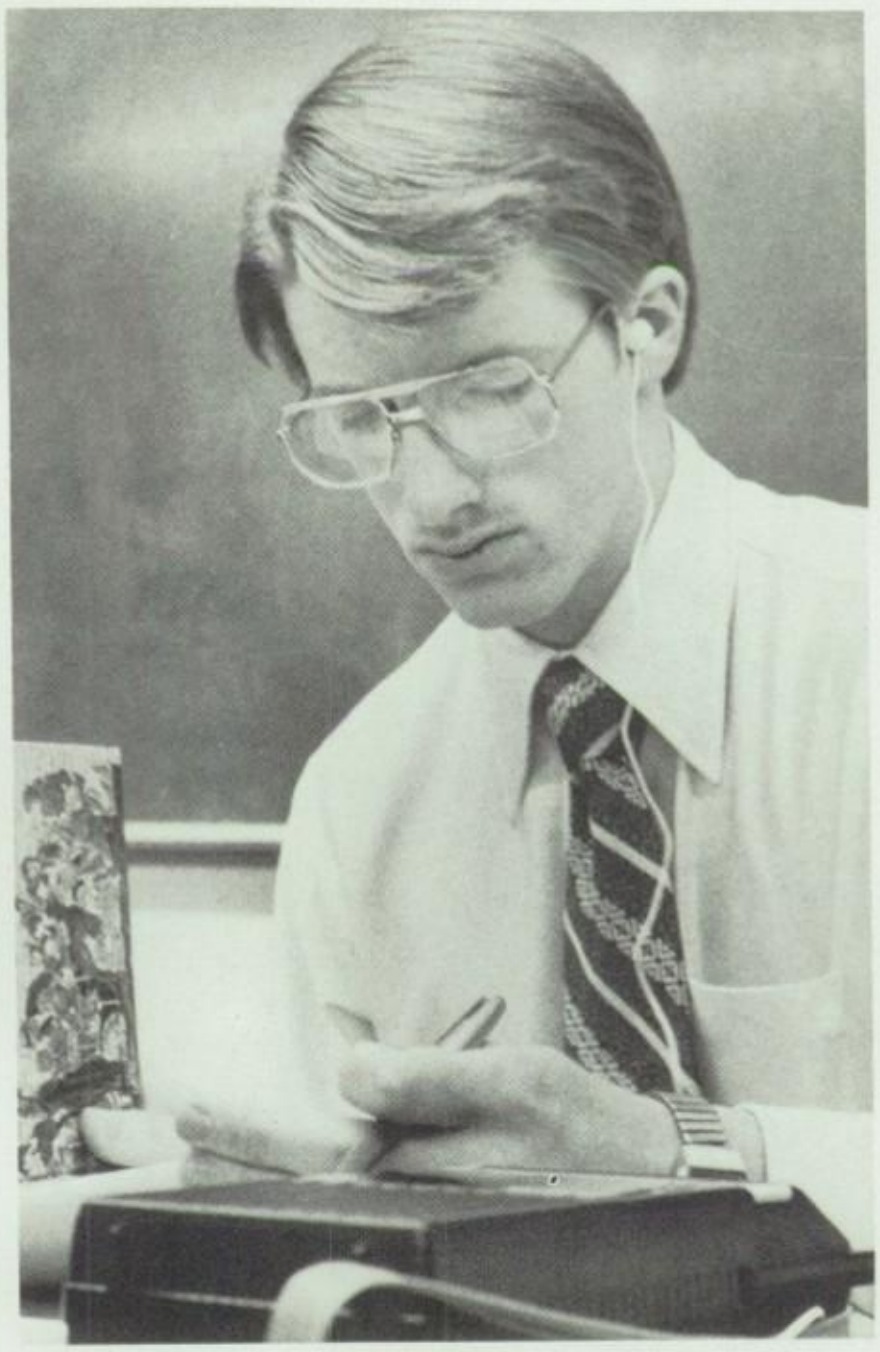

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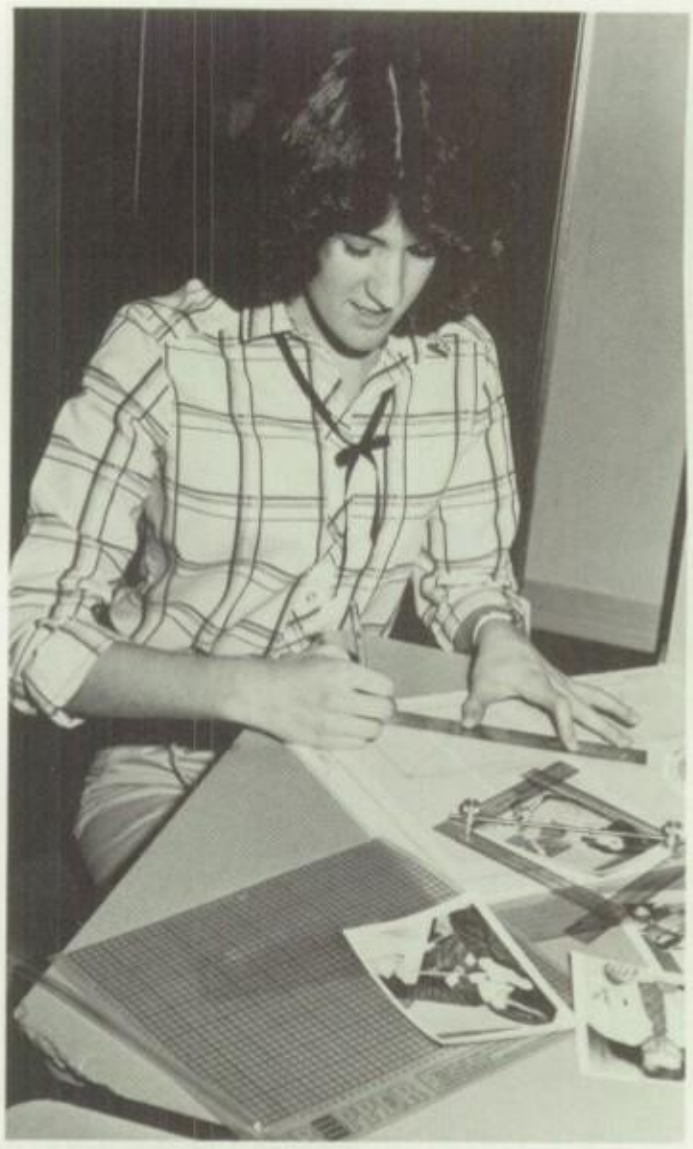

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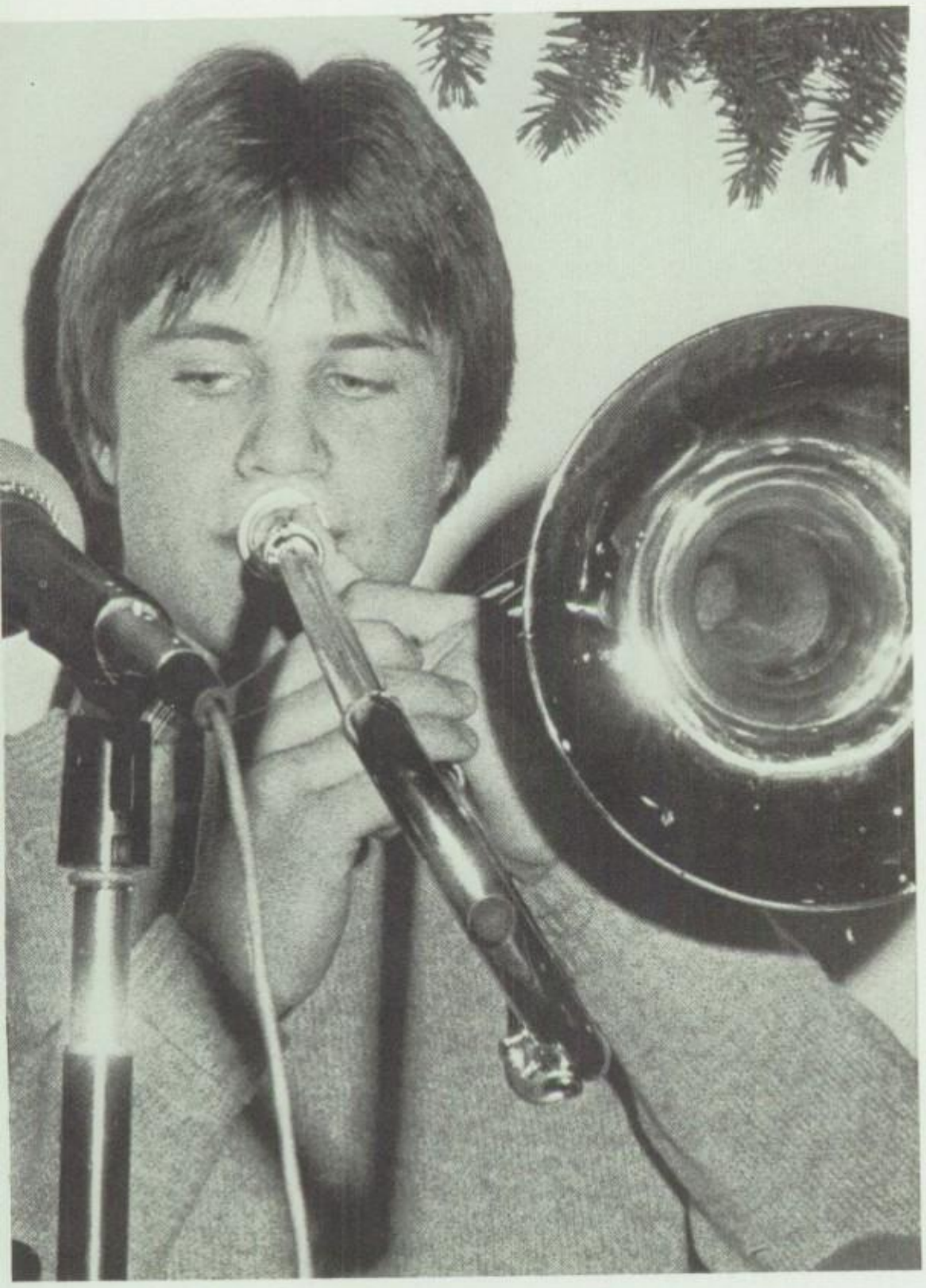
Use Your VISION

Young Musicians "Band" Together.

The elementary band ministers in song.

Pete Redmond "toots his own horn" in band practice.

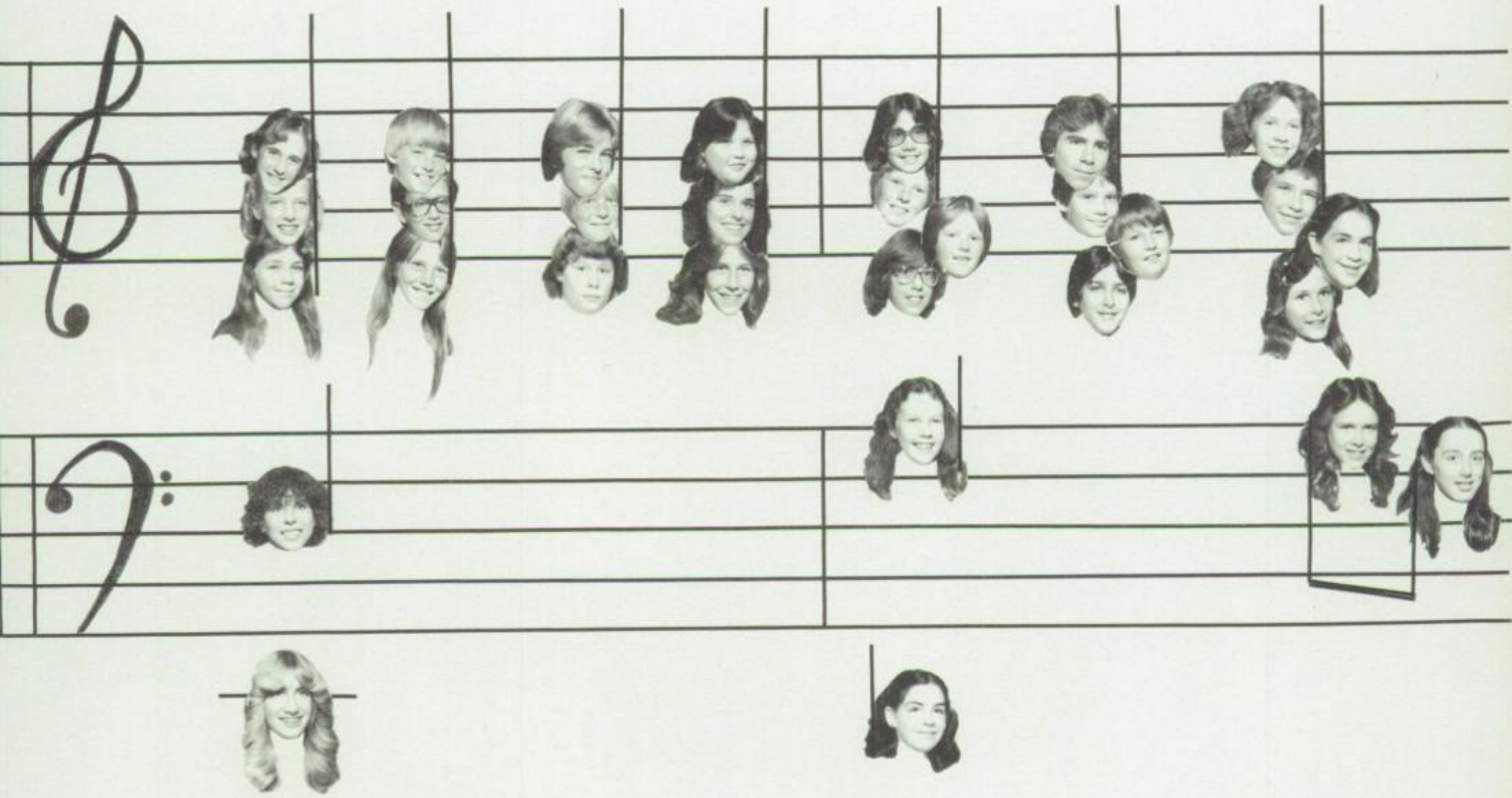


John Redmond lends his services in a band special performance.

The flute ensemble demonstrates their teamwork at a PTF meeting.

Ensembles Minister In Song

Gathered around the piano, the ensemble practices for a performance.



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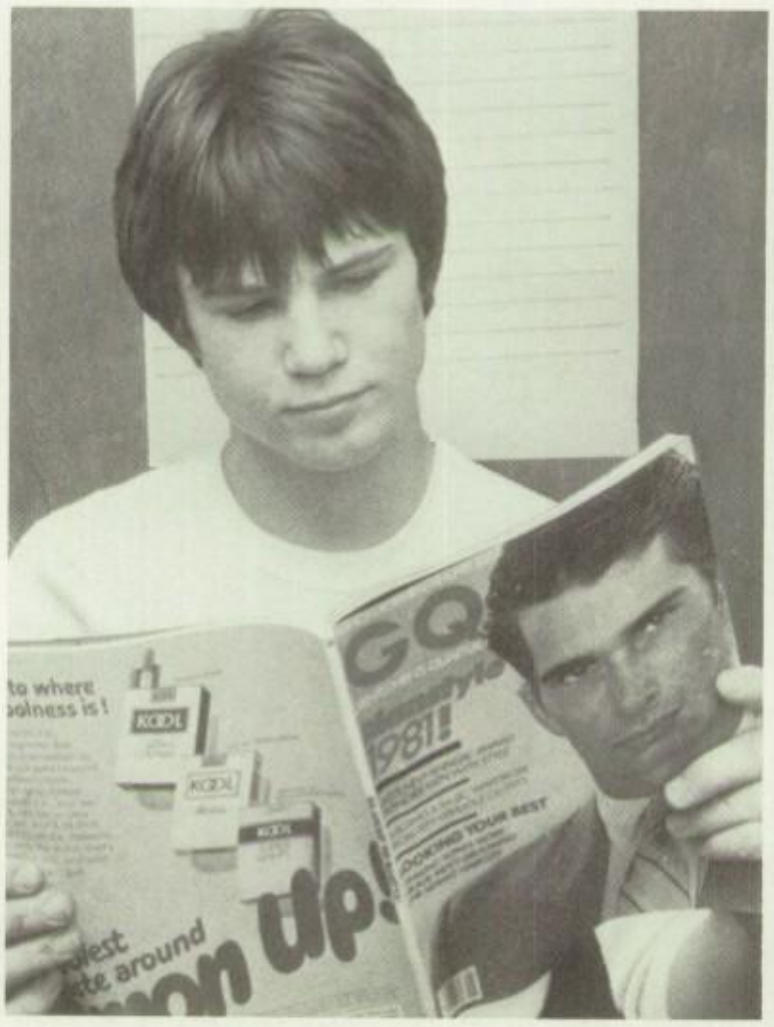

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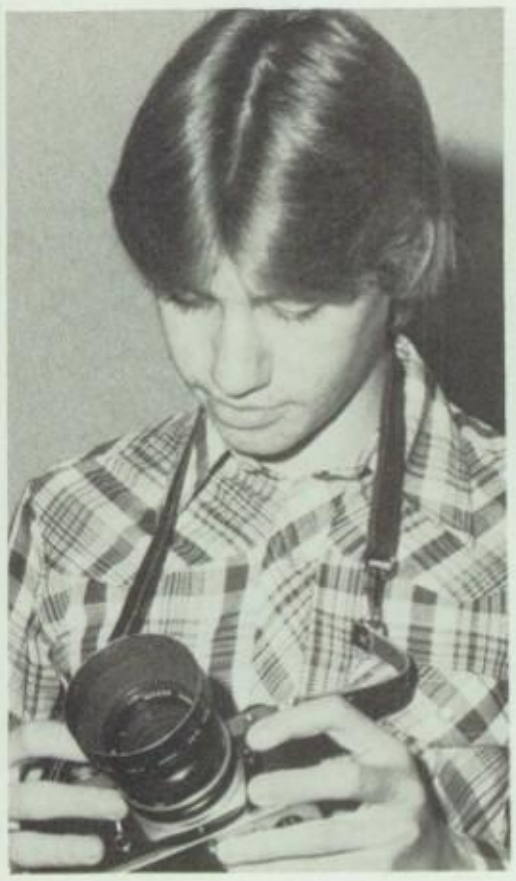

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¡VIVA ESPAÑOL!

Sheila Hail gives a cultural presentation on Ferdinand and Isabella.

"I don't know Lisa, I don't like westerns."

Rick Matson and Mark Thomas play electronic football at Casa Bonita, while Mr. Bishop waits for his turn.

The Spanish Club sponsor, Mrs. Fisher and her party enjoy a luncheon at Casa Bonita.

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The New Creation Has Dawned

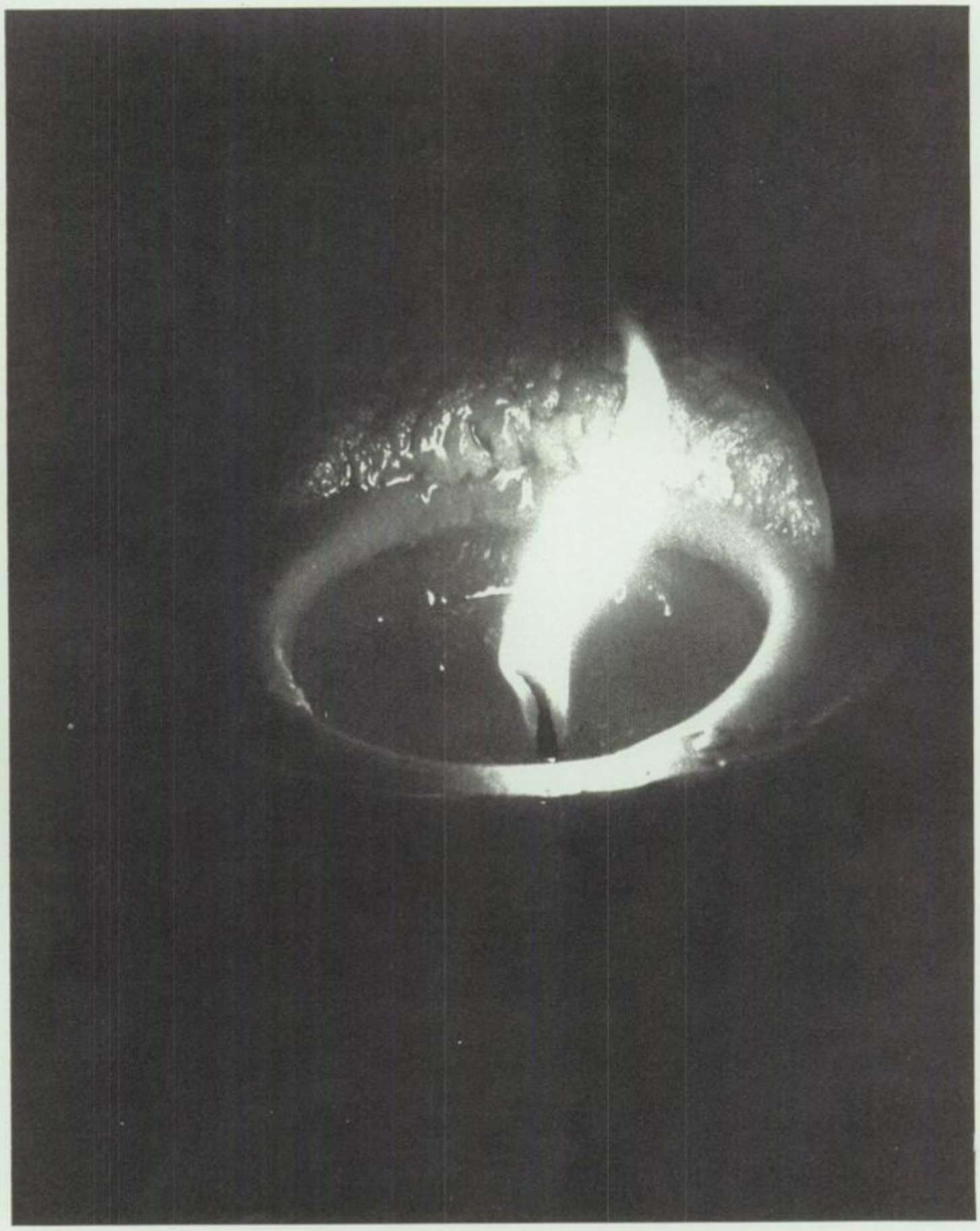
Each happening metamorphosed from stage to stage, developing long-lived memories in our hearts.

What! know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 1 CORINTHIANS 6:19

Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus. PHILLIPPIANS 2:5

Genesis

And God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female He created them. GENESIS 1:27



The spirit of man is the candle of the Lord, searching all the inward parts of the belly.
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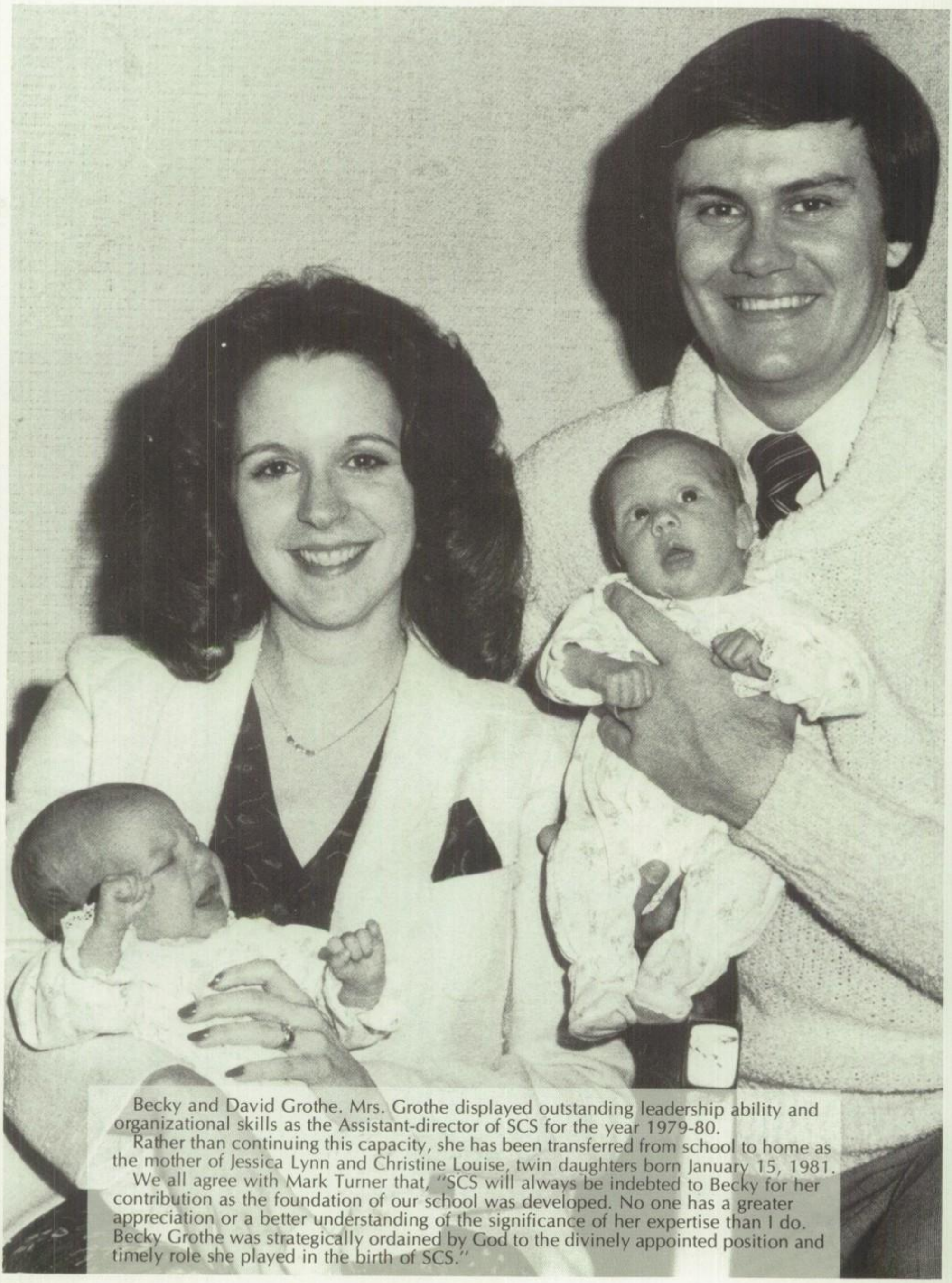


Becky and David Grothe. Mrs. Grothe displayed outstanding leadership ability and organizational skills as the Assistant-director of SCS for the year 1979-80.

Rather than continuing this capacity, she has been transferred from school to home as the mother of Jessica Lynn and Christine Louise, twin daughters born January 15, 1981.

We all agree with Mark Turner that, "SCS will always be indebted to Becky for her contribution as the foundation of our school was developed. No one has a greater appreciation or a better understanding of the significance of her expertise than I do. Becky Grothe was strategically ordained by God to the divinely appointed position and timely role she played in the birth of SCS."

Continued

"Don't measure oneself with oneself, but with the vision God has given you," challenges Dr. Demuth during New Creation Curriculum workshop.

Mr. Dennis Demuth, Minister of Education at Madison Gospel Tabernacle in charge of the Abundant Life Christian School and Campus for Kids Pre-School and Day-Care Center, Madison, Wisconsin will join our staff in early summer.

After completing his B.S. degree at the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, he received his M.S. and Ph.d. from the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wisconsin. Dr. Demuth's resume' includes the following information:

- Program Facilitator and Diagnostic Clinic Supervisor, McHenry, Ill.
- Graduate Instructor at McGraw Graduate School, National College of Education, Chicago, Ill.
- Served as Practicing School Psychologist, Sauk City, Wis.
- Graduate Instructor for Loyola Consortium of Universities, Parkland School, McHenry, Ill.
- Instructor at Christian Life School of the Bible, Rockford, Ill.
- Curriculum Consultant, serving several school districts in Wisconsin.
- Training and experience in parent-teacher training in Wisconsin.

His charming wife, Carol is an educator in the field of nursing. Their two children, Todd and Tiffany will enroll in our fourth and first grades respectively, next year.

Besides being accomplished in woodworking, he enjoys a frequent tennis match.

Our new principal shared, "I cherish the thought of being selected by the Lord to help move SCS toward the vision of service to the Congregation, the state and around the world."

The Dawning

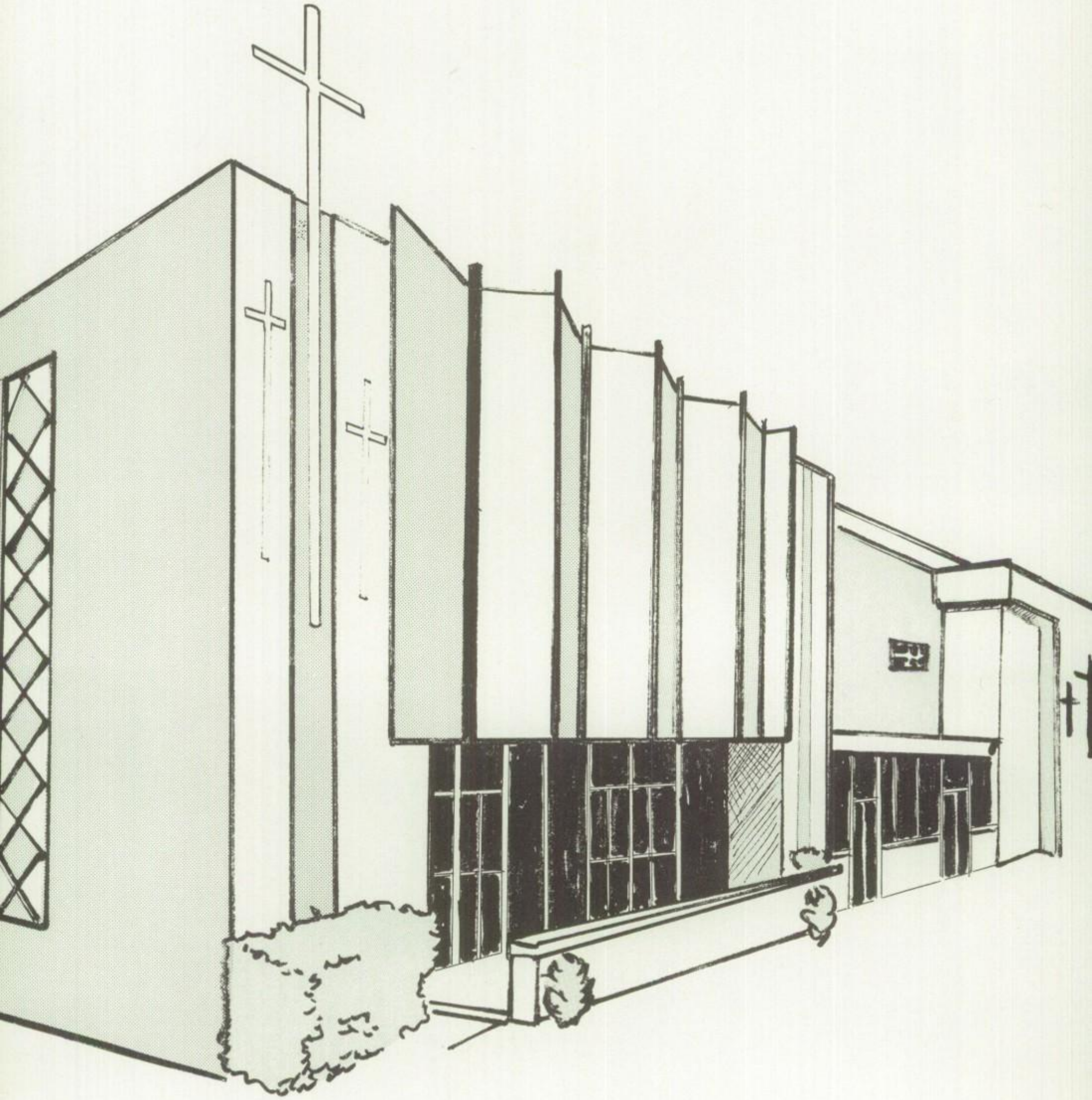
Here, the vision started. It grew alongside the memories we created, ever striving to achieve its full potential. With the intensity of expansion, it outgrew these walls.

We are part of the vision. We will long remember coming together. The experiences we shared have formed a lasting picture in our minds, not to be lost in the transplanting of this budding work.

Of a New Creation

This stately, stained-glass structure has served as a chrysalis. Now that our school has developed into the pupa, great changes have taken place. Next year we will find our school as a four-winged creature — a beautiful butterfly — drinking sweet nectar, carrying pollen "of the Word" from country to country.

From here — we move onward.



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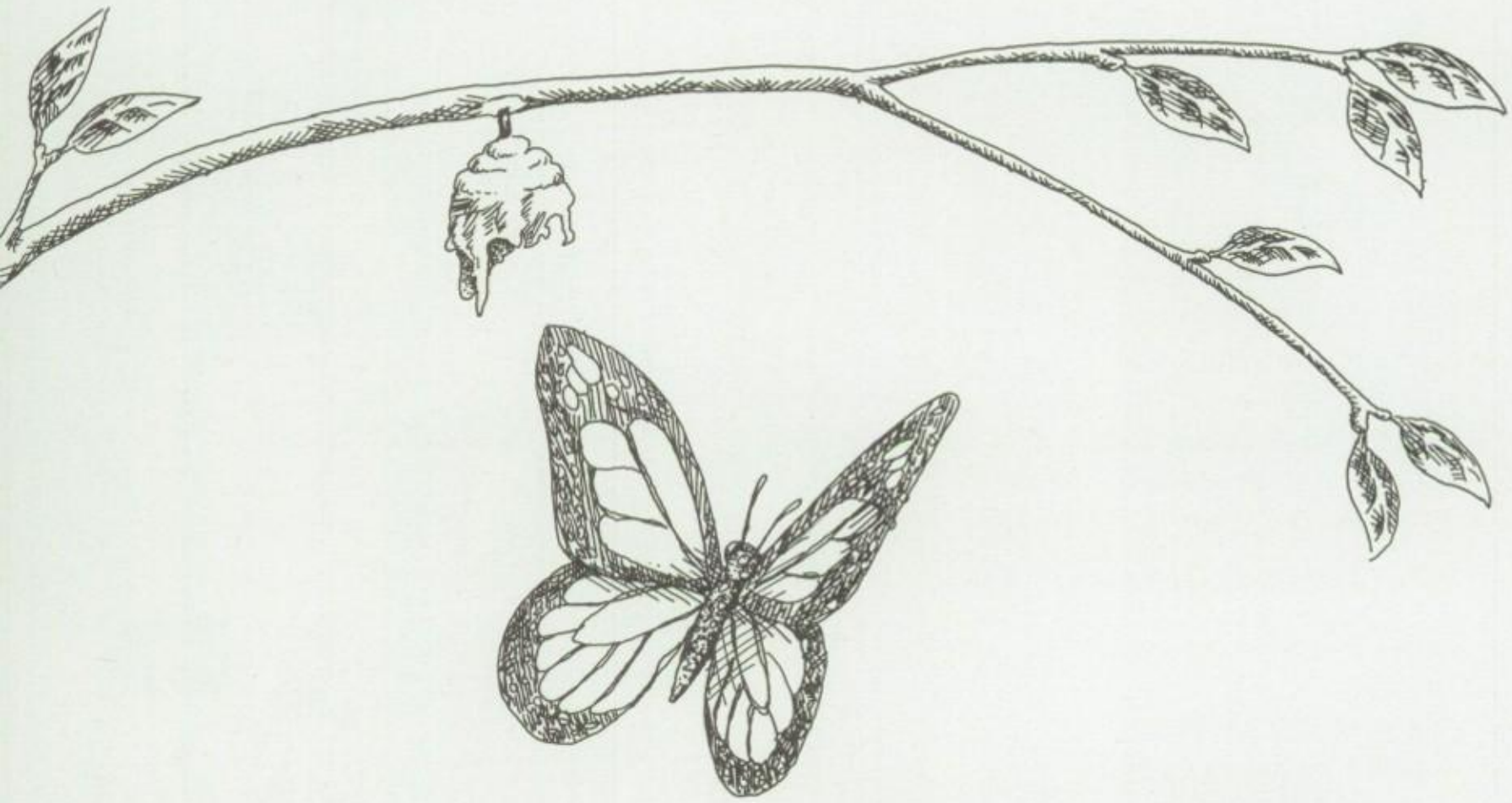

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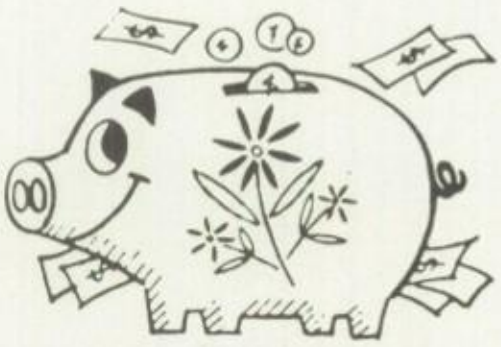

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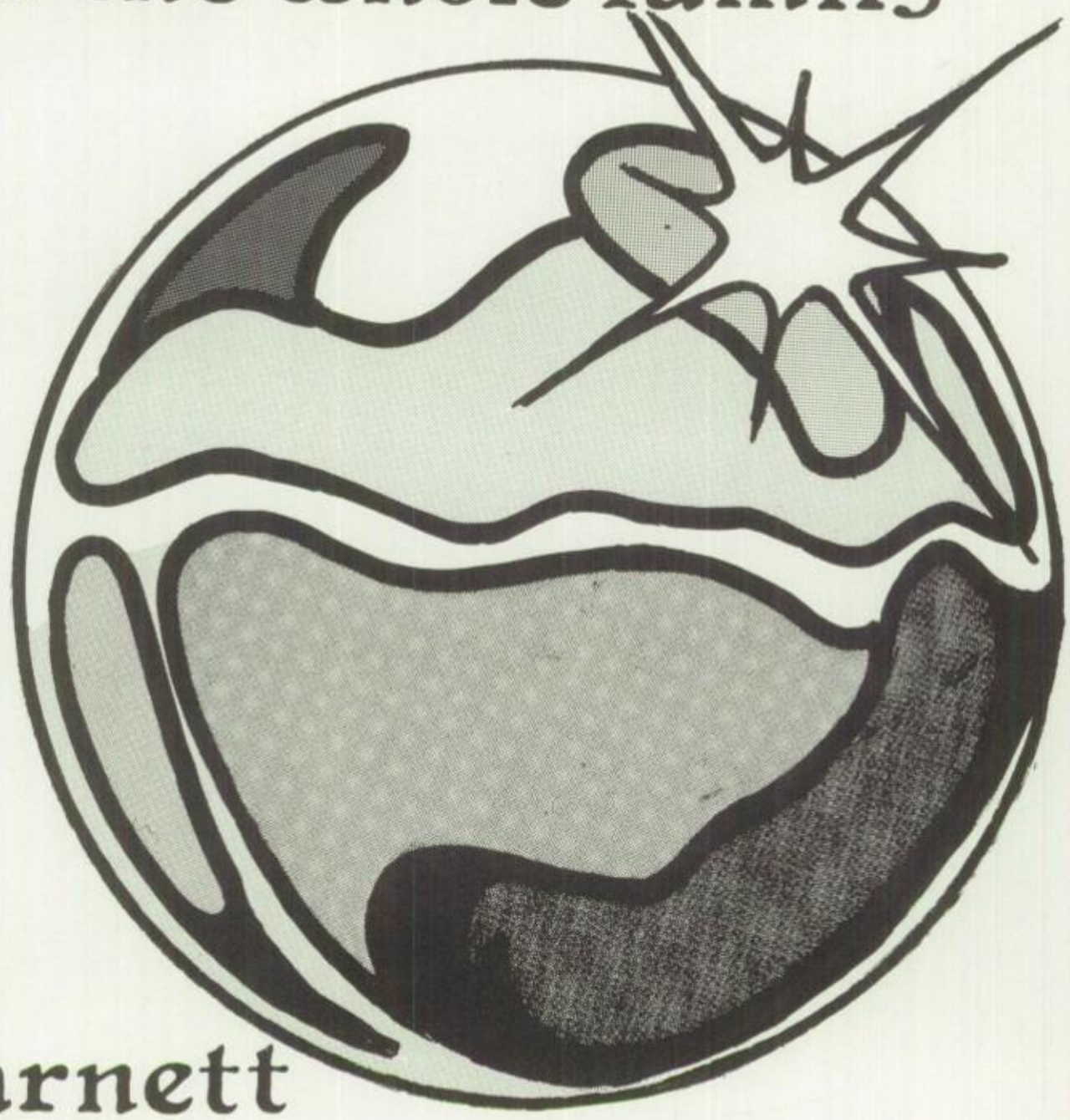

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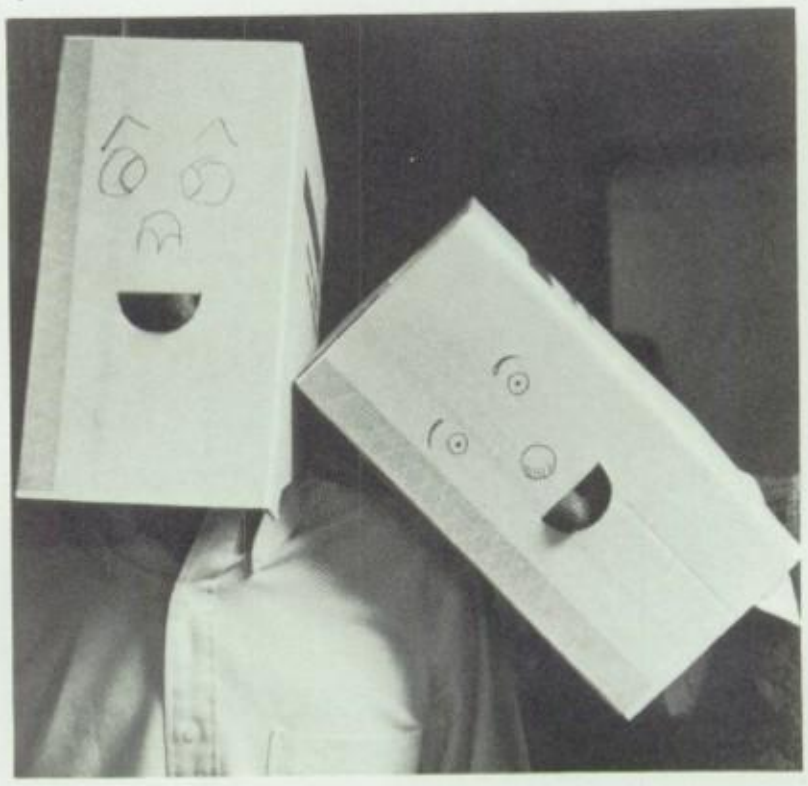

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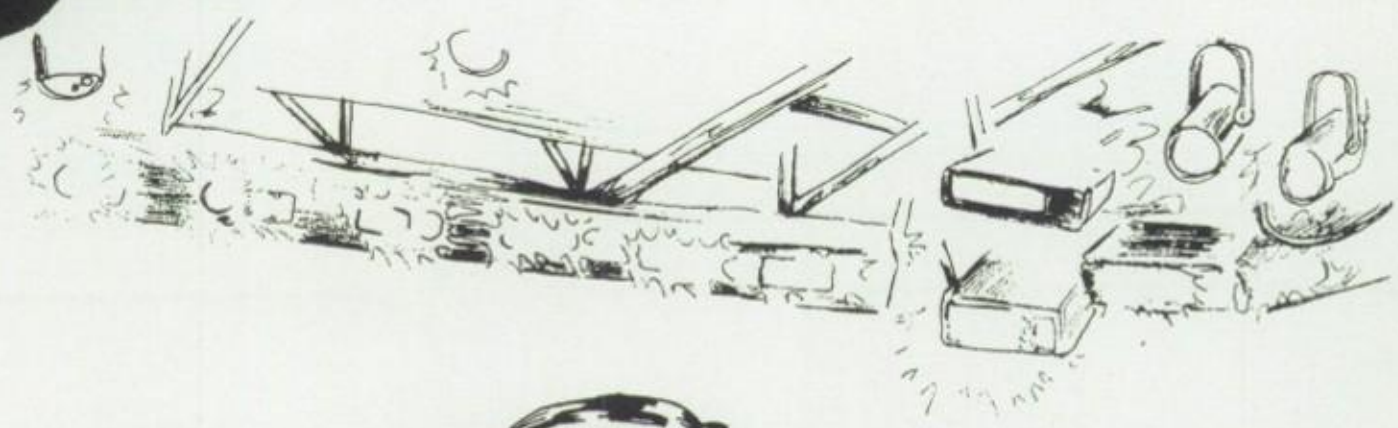

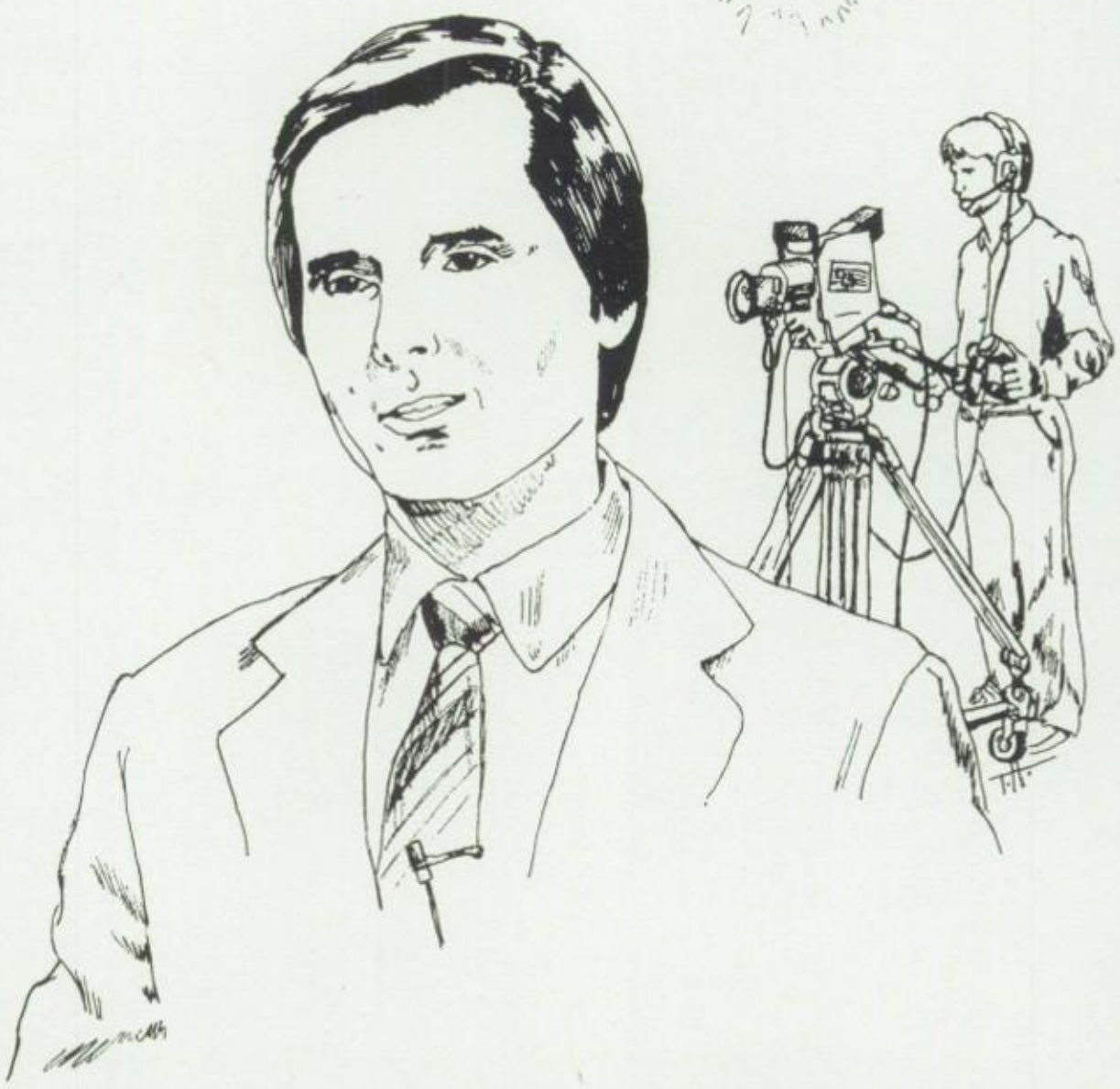

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But does it work?

God seems to think so. He chose that principle to make something good and beautiful out of you. He forgave you, and He loves you. As you receive His forgiveness and love, you are transformed.

Similarly, as you forgive your mate and your children, you are following God. As you consider their needs more important than your own, you are laying down your life for them. As you show love for them, you are communicating the love God has put within you. As they receive God's love through you, God raises them with you and seats you "together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus" (Eph. 2:6).

To love your mate and children as God **loves** you, you must pattern **your** love after God's. Notice this about God's love. He gives to all men liberally and "upbraideth not" (James 1:5). Your redeeming love toward your mate and children gives selflessly and refuses to badger them by flaunting their faults before them. Redeeming love is patient and kind. It neither envies nor boasts. It is neither proud, nor rude nor self-seeking. It is not easily angered and keeps no record of wrongs. It rejoices not in evil, but in the truth. It always protects, trusts, hopes and perseveres. Love never fails (See I Corinthains 13:4-8).

Did you hear those last three words? Love **never** fails!

It took redeeming love displayed by only one Person to redeem everyone in the human race who receives that forgiving love. Likewise, if only one member of your family determines to display redeeming love to your entire family, your marriage and family life will become beautiful, for love **never** fails!

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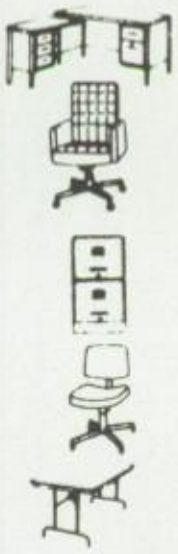

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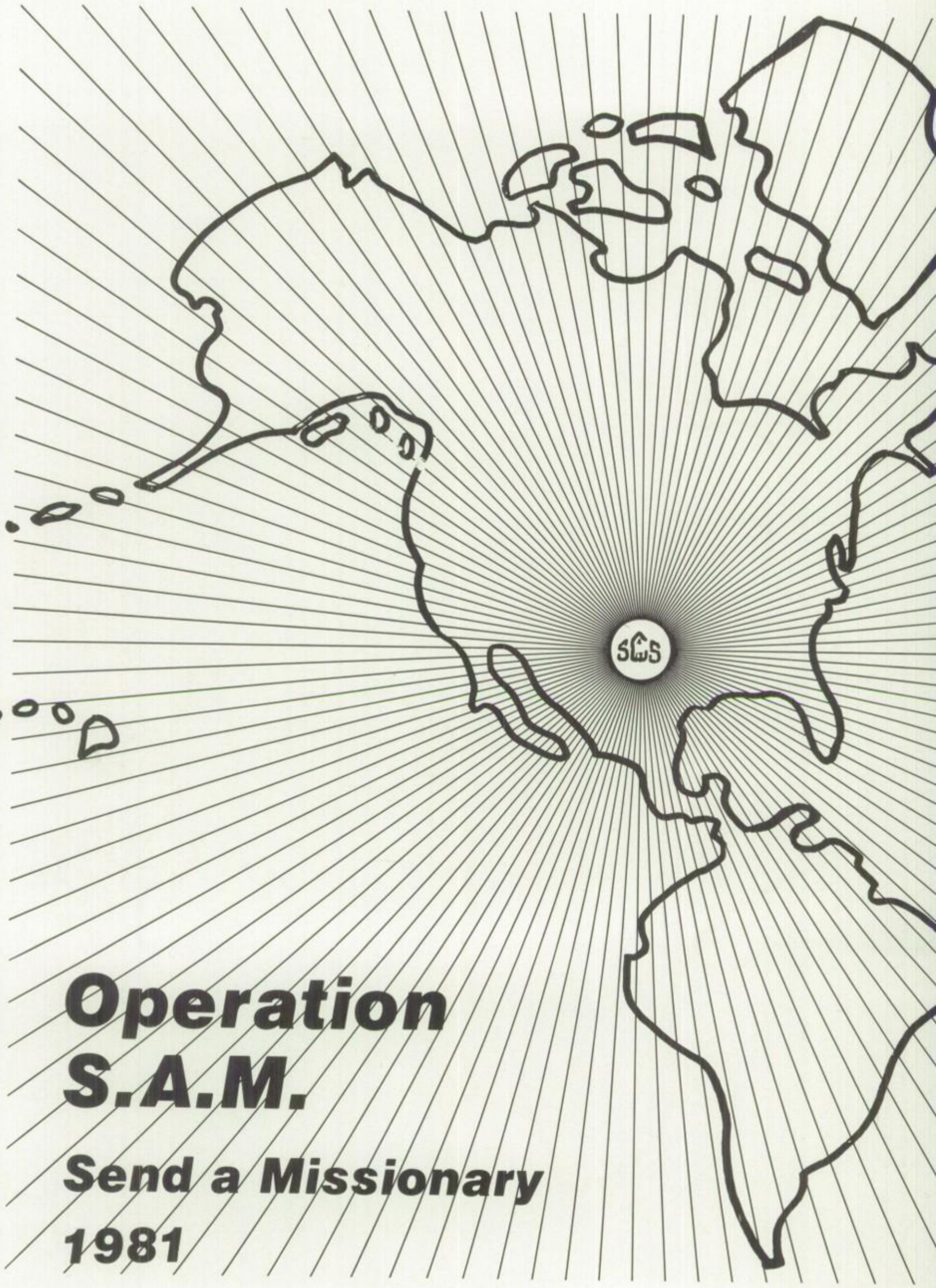
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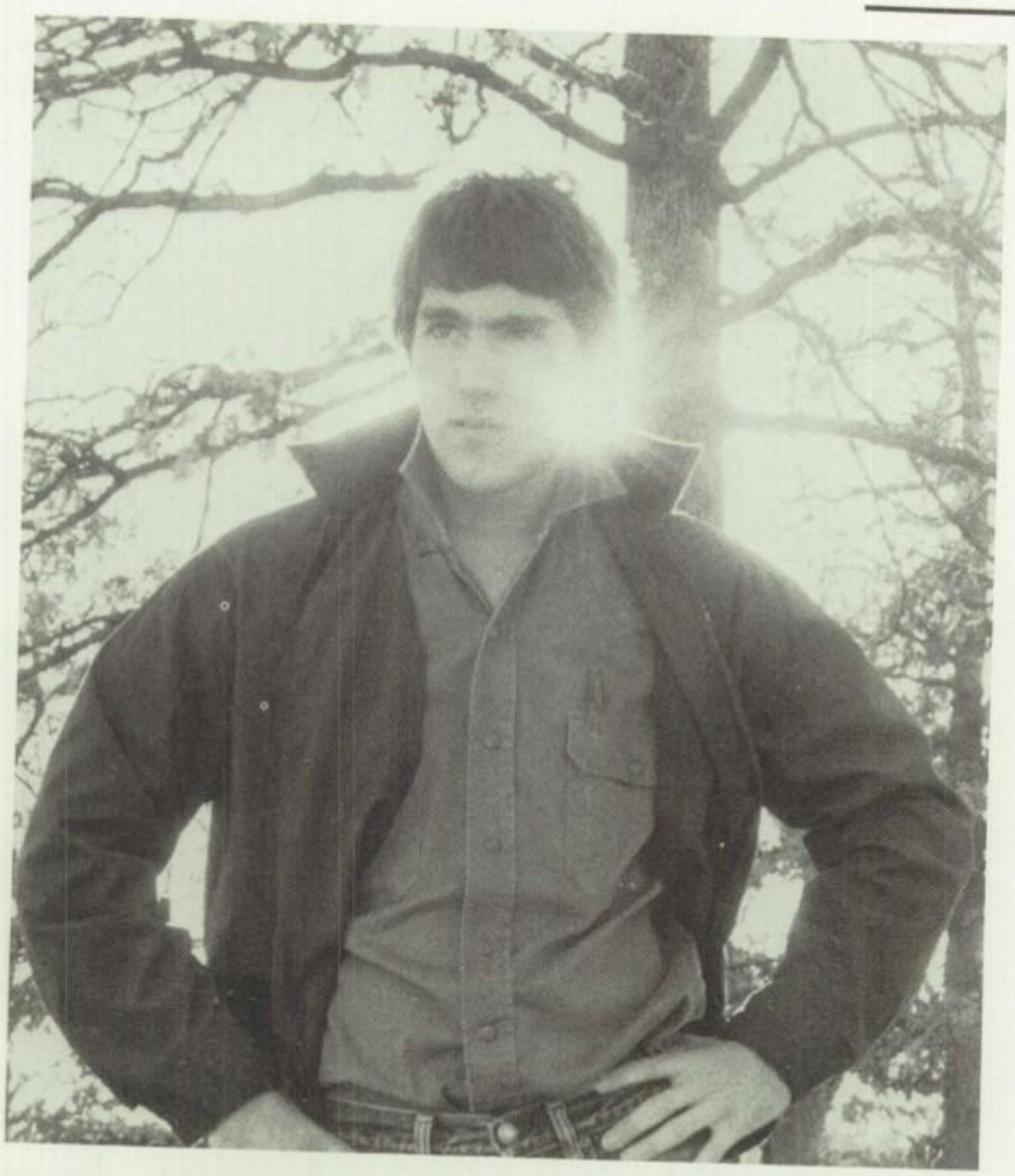

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Here it is, the first edition of the VISION, the Official yearbook of Sheridan Christian School. Even though this is our first issue, I am the second editor. The first editor, Bobby Heath, resigned because he felt that his involvement would conflict with a greater interest in basketball.

During the course of the year I was called on to edit copy, draw layouts and think of captions for some two-hundred pages in this book. Besides the normal duties of an editor, I ran errands to many Tulsa businesses securing pictures, buying graphic supplies and selling ads.

Many of my school hours were spent in the yearbook office, which reminds me of a telephone booth. When deadlines were upon us, I was given permission to miss a full day of classes. Even with work on the yearbook all school day, some of the staff could still be found working at 2:30 in the morning. Many nights we found it hard to let creativity flow, but it did nonetheless.

The VISION staff, for the most part, was very qualified for the creation of this book. Some were replaced, but in the best interest of the organization.

I would like to thank the following people for their contributions to the VISION:

— The advisor, Mrs. Margaret Hodge, who put in countless hours of work on the book. And her family: "Chuck", Elizabeth, Mark, Tim, Mary, and Martha.
— Hunter Publishing Company representative, Claudia Bennett who "walked us through" and gave her expert opinion.
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— Mr. Mark Turner, for giving his total cooperation to the yearbook organization.
— My family, for letting me give so much of my time to the VISION.
— The staff who helped produce this book, especially Tim Hodge.
— The ad salesmen and the Tulsa businesses that bought ads.
— Everyone that bought a yearbook.

If you have any questions or comments please, write me in care of the school.

Enjoy the VISION,

Ben Griffin

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Editor-in-Chief